



Read – Read the passage in its context several times. Read it slow enough to understand what God is saying through it.

- What ideas or words are emphasised, repeated or related in this passage?
- In your own words, what is the main idea of this passage? (Try to summarise these verses in 10 words or less)

Examine – Next, try to understand the specifics of what the passage is communicating.

- What do you notice about God? What has he done/is he doing in these verses?
- What do you learn about Jesus and his gospel from this passage?
- What does it reveal about people?
- How do you think the writer wanted his reader to respond to these words?

Apply - After seeking to understand God's Word in this passage, consider how he intends to use it in your heart and life today.

- What struck you most in this sermon?
- The theme of Jesus' word is drawn through this story. What is his word like? Consider the miracle Jesus performs and Simon Peter's reaction "at your word". What could trusting Jesus' word look like for you today? Where can you stop relying on your own experience/expertise and cling to Jesus instead?

- When Peter asks Jesus to leave, he also falls towards him, almost clinging to him while confessing that he is a sinful man. How does this inform your understanding of the fear of God and God's holiness? How does the grace Jesus shows to Peter ("do not be afraid") align with his holiness?
- Based on this story, what does it mean for you to follow Jesus (believe his word, confess your sin, forsake all else, fishing men alive)?