

Behind the Scenes of Bible Study (Part 1)

Ignoring the order or ignoring steps greatly increases the possibility of error over accuracy.

1. OBSERVATION: What Is There?

- a. *Examine the Original Language*
 - *Examine what is there (can be missed in translation)*
- b. *Study the Words Themselves (word studies)*
 - *Allows the Bible illustrate the meaning by usage*
 - *Basic study can be done with Strong's Concordance*
- c. *Outline the Text*
 - *Allows the text to reveal its own structure*
 - *Highlights the parts of speech and their use*

2. INTERPRETATION: What Does It Mean?

- a. *Analyze the Outline*
 - *Within its own context*
- b. *Examine Cross References (other passages)*
 - *Danger in misunderstanding context*
- c. *Consult Commentaries (other opinions)*
 - *Starting with commentaries skews*
 - *Commentaries are not a smorgasbord*
 - *Use to evaluate own conclusions, not draw them*

3. APPLICATION: What Does It Mean to Me?

- a. *Lessons in the text*
- b. *How does that relate to me / us?*

Behind the Scenes of Bible Study (Part 2)

More keys to Bible Study....

1. _____ Up Words Is Profitable!
2. Look for _____ Words or Phrases
3. Look for Logical Sections or _____
4. Know the _____ of the Immediate Context
 - a. Possible _____
 - _____ Gap
 - _____ Gap
 - _____ / Topographical Gap
 - _____ Gap
 - _____ Gap
 - b. Possible _____
 - Broader _____ (book, entire Bible)
 - _____ (Lexicons)
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