

HIGHLIGHT

Select a passage of scripture to read; this can be 3 - 5 verses, or an entire chapter. As you read the passage, highlight, underline, or jot down the verses that stick out to you.

EXPLAIN

Now explain what the verses mean within the context of the passage. A few questions you can ask yourself are - Why and to whom was this written? How does it fit in with the verses before and after it? What is the writer intending to communicate in this text?

APPLY

This bridges the gap from biblical times to your world today. Remember, there is one interpretation, but many applications. Ask yourself - What would it look like to apply this to my life today? What is God communicating to me here? Think of specific areas in your life where you can apply the text.

RESPOND

This is the part where you respond to God in prayer about the passage you read. Take a few minutes to ask God for help in applying the things you just read and wrote about.

