

READ

Open your Bible and ask God to meet you, and for the Holy Spirit to teach, correct, and train you (2 Timothy 3:16). As you're reading, ask these questions:

- 1. What is happening in this passage? What is the context of this passage?
- 2. What is emphasized, repeated, related?
- 3. What do you learn about who God is? What do you see about who we are?

EXAMINE

Spend some time reflecting. Ask yourself these questions, and write down your thoughts:

- 1. What is the main idea of this passage?
- 2. How do you think God (and the author) wants us to respond?
- 3. Is there something that brings you joy or concern?
- 4. How does this shape what I believe is true about my life, the world, who God is?

APPLY

After examining the passage, apply this to your own life. Ask yourself these questions in order to apply the passage:

- 1. How do I need to repent: Is there a lie I need to turn from toward this truth or promise? Is there something I need to do or not do in order turn towards God?
- 2. Is there a sin I need to confess to God and/or someone else?
- 3. Is there a relationship that I need to change or reconcile?
- 4. Is there someone I need to share this with?

PRAY

Pray through the passage and your application, asking God to change your heart and to change your life, based on the time you've spent in God's Word. Thank Him for Jesus and His forgiveness and love. Thank Him for the Holy Spirit, and ask for His power to change you and help you obey.