

Interpretation

What does it mean?

WHaM Questions

1. **Why?**
2. **How?**
and
3. **Meaning?**
What does this mean?
What are the implications?

Application

What does it mean to me?

1. Apply to Relationships
 - a. With God
 - b. With Myself
 - c. With Others
 - d. With the Enemy
2. Meditate on the Passage
3. Ask Questions
 - a. Example to follow
 - b. Sins to confess?
 - c. Promise to claim?
 - d. Prayer to repeat?
 - e. Command to obey?
 - f. Encouragement to hear?
 - g. Praise to Echo?
 - h. Challenge to face?
 - i. Verse to memorize?
4. Find Timeless Truth
5. Apply Specifically & Personally

Observation

1. Context
 - Before & After
2. Content
 - a. Who
 - b. What
 - c. When
 - d. Where
3. Key Words & Phrases
 - a. Repetition
 - b. Concepts
4. Lists
 - a. People
 - b. Key Words
 - c. Commands
 - d. Promises
 - e. Other Groups
5. Literary Tools
 - a. Comparison – “like , as”
 - b. Contrasts – “but, however”
 - c. Purpose – “so that”
 - d. Reasons – “because , for”
 - e. Cause & Effect – “if”
 - f. Time Words – “when, later”
 - g. Introductory Statements
 - h. Summary Statements
 - i. Conclusions – “finally, therefore”
 - j. Questions
 - k. Illustrations
6. Atmosphere
7. Literary Form
 - a. Discourse – find the main point
 - b. Narrative – find the main people
 - c. Prophecy – find problems & response
 - d. Parable – find central truth
8. Content Summary