

## Living by the Book-Application 2

Observation \_\_\_\_\_

Interpretation \_\_\_\_\_

Application \_\_\_\_\_

Application

Know

Relate

Meditate

Practice

Meditate Joshua 1:8 Psalms 1:1,2

Don't get intimidated by the word. It really just means to mull it over, keep it on your mind, perhaps memorize it.

Examples: Daily devotional...often short passage but you think about it all day

Teaching...always involves meditating...home groups, you hear the passage presented on Sunday and think it over until an evening meeting that week.

Observation: This sounds like it takes too much time, but is most useful when confronted with situations where you have little or no time!

NOTE: We do this all the time with other thought content.

Practice Luke 6: 46-49 James 1: 23-25

What's Nike's Motto? Easier said than done.

Nine helpful tools for turning understanding into acting

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to avoid

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to claim

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to repeat

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to obey

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to meet

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to memorize

Is there an \_\_\_\_\_ to mark

Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ to face

## Application and Culture

Don't get me started!

God's truth is eternal and cultures come and go. When a direct and specific application is not available, there is always a PRINCIPLE that is.

### Principles about principles

1. Principles should correlate with the general teaching of Scripture
2. Principles should speak to the needs, interests, questions and problems of real life today
3. Principles should lead to a course of action.

### Last thoughts

Observation and Interpretation are acts of the mind and intellect

Application is an act of Will.

Application of God's Word is the act of subordinating my will to God's will. The Bible calls this process sanctification.

Romans 12: 1,2

I URGE YOU THEREFORE, BRETHREN,

BY THE MERCIES OF GOD

TO PRESENT YOUR BODIES

A LIVING AND HOLY SACRIFICE,

ACCEPTABLE TO GOD,

WHICH IS YOUR SPIRITUAL SERVICE OF WORSHIP.

AND DO NOT BE CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD,

BUT BE TRANSFORMED

BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MINDS,

THAT YOU MAY PROVE WHAT THE WILL OF GOD IS,

THAT WHICH IS GOOD

AND ACCEPTABLE

AND PERFECT.

Applying the Application Stage

If you don't have one, start a personal Bible study daily

If you can, join a group Bible study or home group

Share what God is showing you. It's not just for you.