

## FINDING TREASURE IN GOD'S WORD- SESSION 1

### WHY THIS CLASS?

- LIFELONG TOOLS ARE INVALUABLE
- THE JOY OF PERSONAL DISCOVERY MOTIVATES
- GROWTH AS A DISCIPLE & DISCIPLEMAKER
- GROWTH IN USING GIFTS EDIFY & BUILD UP THE CHURCH.

### BIBLE STUDY METHODS PROCESS:

- 1) OBSERVATION- What do I SEE in the text?
- 2) INTERPRETATION- What does the text MEAN?
- 3) APPLICATION- How does it WORK?
- 4) COORELATION/COMMUNICATION- Where does it FIT?

### SESSION 1: OBSERVATION

TESTING OUR SKILLS: (Observations of the Gym)

### 10 LAWS OF OBSERVATION: WHEN YOU COME TO PASSAGE, DO THIS!...

- 1) READ IT REPEATEDLY & INQUISITIVELY
- 2) ASK KEY BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS LIKE:
- 3) LOOK FOR KEY TERMS
- 4) LOOK FOR KEY GRAMMATICAL STRUCTURES
- 5) LOOK FOR KEY LITERARY STRUCTURES (see next page)
- 6) ASK, WHAT LITERARY FORM IS THIS BOOK/PASSAGE WRITTEN IN?
- 7) ASK, WHAT IS THE TONE/TENOR OF THIS PASSAGE?
- 8) READ IT AGAIN!
- 9) READ IT AGAIN!
- 10) FINALLY, ASK...WHAT'S THE MAIN IDEA? WHAT IS THE PASSAGE SAYING ABOUT THE MAIN IDEA?

## Psalm 1

Blessed is the man  
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
But, his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
And on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water  
that yields its fruit in its season,  
and its leaf does not wither.  
In all that he does, he prospers.  
The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;  
For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
But the way of the wicked will perish.