

FINDING TREASURE IN GOD'S WORD- SESSION 2

INTERPRETATION

BIBLE STUDY 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?

BARRIERS TO INTERPRETATION:

- TIME BARRIERS
- LANGUAGE BARRIERS
- CULTURAL BARRIERS
- LITERARY BARRIERS
- COMMUNICATION BARRIERS
- METHOD & MOTIVE BARRIERS

5 KEYS TO INTERPRETATION

- 1) EXAMINE THE CONTENT
- 2) ALWAYS LOOK FOR CONTEXT
- 3) MAKE RELEVANT COMPARISONS
- 4) CONSIDER THE CULTURAL SETTING
- 5) DO FURTHER CONSULTATION

HELPFUL AIDS FOR BIBLE STUDY & INTERPRETATION

- BIBLE CONCORDANCES
- BIBLE DICTIONARY
- BIBLE HANDBOOK
- BIBLE ATLAS
- HISTORICAL CULTURAL BACKGROUNDS OF THE BIBLE
- STUDY BIBLE
- BIBLE COMMENTARIES

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.