

Go Deeper in ROMANS

Want to dive in deeper into ROMANS? Want to study ahead and prepare for future weeks?

What follows is a simple method of Bible study called the COMA method.

COMA studies a Bible passage in four steps:

Context - Observation - Meaning - Application

To study a Bible passage in this way, simply ask and answer a few questions corresponding to each step. Note that not all questions apply to every Bible passage, and that you don't need to ask every one of these questions—even just one or two per step!

Context - this refers to the “surroundings” or background of the passage and the circumstances in which it was written. Context questions include queries like: Who wrote the passage? Why was it written, and to whom? What is the literary “genre” of the passage—history, poetry, a letter, law, etc., and how should we read it? What happens in the chapter or section immediately before, and after, the passage you're reading? Are there any themes or ideas that connect the passage you're reading to the rest of the book?

Observation - means carefully examining the passage you're reading. Observation questions include queries like: Is there any structure or arrangement to the passage? Is there any repetition or comparison or contrast? Are there key words or phrases in the text? Does anything surprise you or stick out somehow? Are there characters and what do they do or say? What theological terms used and what do they mean?

Meaning - this refers to the main point or idea that the original human author wanted his original audience to understand in a particular text. Meaning questions include queries like: How does the passage describe, point to, or refer back to Jesus Christ? What is the reader supposed to learn about God from the passage? If you could sum up the main point of the writer in a sentence, what would you say?

Application - this refers to how the reader is supposed to respond to the text. Application questions include queries like: Does this passage challenge or confirm my beliefs? Is there an attitude or assumption I must change? Are there any changes to my actions or the way I live being urged by the passage? Is there a promise that I should be believing or an attribute of God's nature that I should be trusting?

Practice COMA This Week Reading Romans 1:1-32

Message Notes

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1. You need the Bible because _____.

2. You need the Bible because _____.

How Scripture is Useful:

(a.) _____

(b.) _____

(c.) _____

(d.) _____

The Result of Scripture's Usefulness

(a.) _____

(b.) _____

Growth Guide.....Feb 2-8, 2020

*Growth Groups are sermon-based small groups that meet primarily in homes.
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Talking through the message during the week helps you and your Growth Group turn what God is saying to you into action steps in your life. You can use this study guide with your Growth Group, your family, or on your own.

Pray

Ask God to clear your mind and help you focus. Ask God to speak to you as you work thru this guide by yourself and with your Growth Group.

Open

1. What's one big idea or concept that spoke to you from the message? Do you have a main take away?

Read, Hear, & Live the Word

Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17

1. What does it mean that "all scripture is God-breathed"? Can you support your answer with other scriptures?
2. Look at each part of this passage & define what they mean. Use other scriptures to help you define or illustrate what each of these involve.

TEACHING

REBUKING

CORRECTING

TRAINING

EQUIPPED

GOOD WORK

3. Read Psalm 119. List all the benefits of Scripture. Share with your group.
4. Why is God's Word so important to us living Godly lives?
5. How would you help a person who said, "I've tried to read the Bible, but I don't get anything out of it"?
6. What is the hardest thing for you about consistent Bible reading and Bible study? How can you overcome it? How can we help each other?
7. What would you say to a friend who defended their lack of Bible reading by saying, "I'm just not a reader"?
8. Is there something in your life you need to adjust or change according to this week's study? How could you use help?