

SOAP

BIBLE READING METHOD

God uses the Bible to correct us, guide us, strengthen us, and help us see life with better clarity.

The problem is, there are certain verses or chapters that can feel confusing and overwhelming to read.

That's why, at Timberlake, we recommend a Bible reading method called **SOAP: Scripture, Observation, Application, and Prayer.**



Scripture

Choose what you want to read. It can be a verse, a few verses, or a whole chapter.



Observation

Look at what you just read and ask: "What does this show me about God and what matters to Him?"

Also, see if you can figure out the context. Who was this originally written to or about? What was happening at the time?



Application

Make it personal.

How does this hit your life right now?

What's one clear next step you can take this week as you keep following Jesus?



Prayer

Ask God to show you any areas of your life that aren't lining up with how He wants you to live.

Ask for courage to keep taking next steps toward becoming more like Jesus.