



Personal Quiet Time

Psalm 90:12 "So teach us to number our days (*take every day seriously*) that we may get a heart of wisdom."

A great first step to taking every day seriously is to spend time in God's Word.

1. Observation: *what does it say?*

We discover what the Bible says by reading it. Paying attention to details, words, etc. Here are some big topics to keep consider:

What does this teach me about God?

- His character
- His works
- His promises

What does this teach me about myself?

- Sin to confess
- Hope to embrace
- Promise to claim

2. Interpretation Principles: *what does it mean?* As you read the Bible this week and seek to understand what it means, please keep these principles in mind.

A. Face value - Answer who / what / why / when / where.

B. Context – It is often helpful to look deeper into the culture, language and time in which the passage was written.

C. Comparison – Scripture with Scripture. Bible study tools such as commentaries, concordances and Bible dictionaries.

3. Life Application: *what difference does this make?* How does this passage intersect with my life and change me?"