

Verse Mapping



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Use circles to:

Write scripture in large font to take up space here

Define keywords using a dictionary or thesaurus

Look up keyword origins in Greek or Hebrew lexicon

Note relevant translation alternatives

Note your deeper thoughts about a particular phrase

Jot down cross references and what ties all the verses together

Record the context of the verse by noting what happens in the verses preceding and following the verse

Context

Author: Who wrote the verse/book of Bible?
Audience: To whom was it written?
When: When was it written, including any coinciding events
Style: What literary genre was used? Poetry, law, parable, epistle, historical narrative, wisdom, prophecy, etc.
Purpose: Why was it written? What did the author intend?

What does it say?

Comprehension/Observation

- Use this space to connect all the dots from the observations you noted in the circles above.
- Add more notes from other Bible translations.
- Note the big ideas or important details you find.
- Consider the sentence structure and word/idea emphasis, including word repetition, transition words, sequential ideas, etc.

What does it mean?

Interpretation

- Based on your observations, interpret the text meaning.
- Consider the historical context for your interpretation, including the original audience and the author's purpose.
- Use cross references to let scripture interpret scripture.
- Consult commentary last after the process of discovery plays out.

What should I do?

Application

- How should the verse change me?
- What does this verse teach me about God?
- How does this aspect of God's character change my view of self?
- What should I do in response?
- How do I apply this truth to my Christian walk?