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READ YOUR BIBLE TO UNDERSTAND IT

Part 1

FOUR TERMS

OBSERVATION – What do I see?

INTERPRETATION – What does it mean?

CORRELATION – Are there Bible references to better understand this verse or passage?

APPLICATION – How can I make this work in my personal life?

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OBSERVATION

1. ASK QUESTIONS

2. LOOK FOR KEYWORDS

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

1. WHO?
2. WHAT?
3. WHERE?
4. WHEN?
5. WHY?
6. SO WHAT?

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OBSERVATION WORDS

1. BUT
2. FOR
3. THEREFORE
4. SO THAT
5. HOWEVER
6. REPEATED WORDS/PHRASES

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ACTS 1:8

“<u>But</u> you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth”

(Acts 1:8)

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

1. WHO ARE THE PEOPLE INVOLVED?
2. WHEN DID THIS OCCUR?
3. WHAT DID JESUS PROMISE?
4. WHAT WERE THE DISCIPLES INTERESTED IN?
5. WHAT DID THE ANGELS PROMISE THE DISCIPLES?

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

6. WHERE DID JESUS GO AFTER HE SPOKE TO THEM?

7. WHERE WERE THEY WHEN JESUS ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN?

8. WHY IS THIS LOCATION IMPORTANT?

9. WHAT PRINCIPLE CAN WE DRAW FROM THIS PASSAGE?

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JOHN 1:12

12 <u>But</u> as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

13 who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

1. WHO is the “He” In vs. 10,11?

2. WHO are “His own”?

3. WHAT is the result of those who do receive Him?

4. WHAT does John mean by the word “receive”?

5. WHAT does John mean by “born of God”?

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JOHN 3:16

16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

1. WHAT DOES JOHN MEAN BY THE PHRASE, “SO LOVED”?

2. WHAT IS MEANT BY “ONLY BEGOTTEN?”

3. WHAT ARE THE TWO PROMISES FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE?

4. WHAT WORD DOES THIS VERSE BEGIN WITH?

5. WHY WOULD JESUS BEGIN A CONVERSATION WITH THE WORD

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OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

6. WHAT IS THE SCENE AT THIS TIME?

7. WHO WAS NICODEMUS?

8. WHEN IS THIS TAKING PLACE?

9. WHY DOES JESUS QUOTE FROM THE BOOK OF NUMBERS?

10. HOW DOES NUMBERS 21:8-9 APPLY TO JOHN 3:16?

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NUMBERS 21:8-9

8 ”Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live.’

9 So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.”

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JOHN 3:14-15

14 ”And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”

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