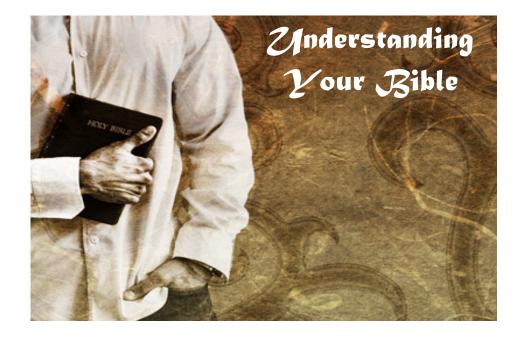
Command Words – draw a box Cause and Effect – draw arrow

5. List Key Questions, i.e. (Leads to Interpretation)

Who, What, When, Where, Why, & How



Extra Credit

• Key Number Two: Interpretation

(What Does it Mean?)

- 1. Define Key Words with a concordance.
- 2. Do a background Study of the Book.
- 3. Write out text using your own words.
- 4. What other texts relate to this passage?

Places to Look:

www.blueletterbible.org
www.biblestudytools.com
www.biblehub.com
www.biblegateway.com

Lesson 5: Interpreting the New Testament Epistles
Worksheet

Key Number One: Observation (What does it say?)

1. Read the Text Several Times

Practice Text: Ephesians 4:17-24

¹⁷ So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹ Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

That, however, is not the way of life you learned when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

2. Create a Sentence and Paragraph structure

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3. Identify Key Phrase - double underline

4. Identify Key Words

Link Words – underline

Key Words - circle