

1. Identify **the theme of the chapter (what the chapter is mainly about)**
2. Summarize **the paragraphs**
3. Evaluate **lessons for life → application**

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METHOD

STEP 3 –

1. Use
2. Look up
3. Broaden
4. Take

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STEP 4 –

1. In an
2. List every
3. Note

When you know what God says, what He means, and how to put His truths into practice, you will be equipped for every circumstance of life. Ultimately, the goal of personal Bible study is a transformed life and a deep and abiding relationship with Jesus Christ.

Figurative Language

(check out: Basic Bible Interpretation: Figurative Language – in the resources)

1. Definition:
2. The biblical languages
3. Therefore, it takes
4. Remember that
5. There are

(1) Figures of speech

Psalm 18:2

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge;
My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

(2) Figures of speech

Philippians 3:2

Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision;

James 3:6

And the tongue is a fire, the *very* world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of *our* life, and is set on fire by hell.

Galatians 5:15

But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

(3) Figures of speech

Deuteronomy 32:9-11

9. “For the LORD’S portion is His people; Jacob is the allotment of His inheritance.
10. “He found him in a desert and, And in the howling waste of a wilderness; He encircled him, He cared for him, He guarded him as the pupil of His eye.
11. “Like an eagle that stirs up its nest, That hovers over its young, He spread His wings and caught them, He carried them on His pinions.

(4) Figures of speech

Matthew 23:27

Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which on the outside appear beautiful, but inside they are full of dead men’s bones and all uncleanness.

Matthew 23:33

“You serpents, you brood of vipers, how will you escape the sentence of hell?”

(5) Figures of speech

Psalms 23:1ff

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

(6) Figures of speech

(7) Figures of speech,

Matthew 13:10-11

10. And the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do You speak to them in parables?”
11. Jesus answered them, “To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.