



# SOAP Bible Study Method

**Scripture** – read a passage of scripture and then write it down. If it is a long passage then just choose a few verses that stand out to you and write them down. Writing things down enables a higher level of thinking which can result in a more focussed action.

**Observation** – think about the scripture and ask yourself, what stands out to you, what do you observe, who is the audience, is there something you see that you haven't seen before, is there repetition, are there comparisons or contrasts. Write down your observations.

**Application** – now it gets personal. Ask yourself, how can I apply what I have read to myself, my life, and my walk with the Lord, is there something I need to do, or change. It may not always be something you need to 'do' or 'change' but it may be something you learn about God that changes your relationship with Him, or that you want to add to your praise and worship. Write down how you will apply what you have learned.

**Prayer** – pray through what you have learned, ask God to work in your life through what you have learned, it may involve praise, it may involve confession, it may be asking for help to act on something. (Matthew 13:23)





## Scripture


## Observation


## Application


## Prayer
