

SOAP Method for Bible Journaling

<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">S</p>	<p>Scripture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read a passage once or twice. It is good to read a full paragraph or chapter to get context. • Which verse stands out to you? Underline it in your Bible and date it if you choose. • Which words provide impact? Circle them in your Bible. • Places to find scriptures to read or write: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Devotionals, Sermons, Pinterest (search: Bible Reading/Writing plans), Work through a book of the Bible, www.swtblessings.com
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">O</p>	<p>Observation/Interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take the time to explore the scripture you are reading. Pay attention to context. • Read the book introduction. • It's ok to bullet point your observations in your journal. • Some questions to ask yourself: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Who wrote it? ○ Who was it written to? ○ What is the message of the verses? ○ Does this remind me of other verses? ○ When was it written? ○ What is the context? • Use <u>Blue Letter Bible</u> (app and website) or <u>Study Bible App</u> to look up Hebrew and Greek meanings of words.
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">A</p>	<p>Application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write what you feel the Holy Spirit is saying to YOU through this passage or scripture. • How should my life change because of what I read and learned today? • Make this very personal. God placed EVERY scripture in the Bible for a purpose. What purpose does this serve for YOU?
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">P</p>	<p>Prayer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take time to write out a prayer today. Reflect on what you have learned and ask the Lord to use it.