

## Step 1

Seeing the Setting (Reconnaissance)

- a. From the Local Scene
- b. From the Broader View: other scripture, history, the whole Bible:

## Step 2

Pulling Into Focus (Observation)

Observe what it says, one word at a time:

## Step 3

Getting on Target (Meditation)

Decide what it means, weighing possible alternatives:

## Step 4

Hitting the Bulls-Eye (Interpretation)

Draw Conclusions:

- a. In statement of principles
- b. What's the big Idea?

## Step 5

Getting the Point (Application)

Determine "How does it affect me", and "What must I do about it?"

## Step 6

Putting it back together (Outlining)

Well... you did pretty well at taking it apart; now see if you can put it together again!

Schematic Summary (sometimes called an outline)

Final Exam: Will it hold together?