

### **S.O.A.P Journal bible reading method**

As you read scripture, write down what God is showing you in the following categories.

**S- Scripture** write out a verse or passage that stands out to you.

**O- Observation** write what the passage says in context: Highlight key phrases, themes, questions, audiences, compare/contrasts.

Write what the passage means: What truths do you find about **God, yourself, Jesus, the world**. Think deeply on how these truths impact your heart and mind. Ask questions like

-What can I worship God for?

-How does Jesus help me become this?

-What would change if I believed and obeyed this?

**A- Application** write out what you plan to do about this passage:

-is there a sin to forsake?

-is there a promise to claim?

-is there an example to follow?

-is there a command to obey?

-is there something to share with others?

**P- Prayer** talk to God about what He has shown you. Pray the scriptures over **your life, others**, and your prayer list.