

Women of the Word

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THE 6 Ps OF SOUND BIBLE STUDY

1. Purpose

How does this text fit into the bigger narrative (creation, fall, redemption, restoration) of the Bible?

2. Perspective

What is the framework for this text? Who wrote it? When was it written? To whom was it written? In what style was it written? Why was it written?

3. Patience

Don't immediately run to secondary sources, but spend some time critically thinking about the text, asking questions, and noting cross-references.

4. Process

- Comprehension: What does it say?
- Interpretation: What does it mean?
- Application: How should it change me?

5. Prayer

- *Praise*: Praise God for giving us the revelation of his will and character in his word.
- *Admit*: Lay out your own set of insecurities and weaknesses as you set out to study.
- *Request*: Ask the Lord for ears to hear and eyes to see as you study.
- *Thank*: Thank him that he has revealed himself in the Bible and that he has given you the ability to know him.

6. People

Identify people with whom you can open God's word and seek out opportunities to meet together.

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