

FEED OUR SOULS ON THE WORD OF GOD

BIBLE BOOK: _____

DATE: _____

Prayer

Read whole book

BOOK OVERVIEW

Who wrote the book?

Record the human author of the book.

When was the book written?

To understand context, try to find out in what time period the book was written.

Who was the original audience of the book?

Whom is the author addressing?

Why was the book written? What is the overall message of the book?

* If a particular verse indicates why the book was written, or if you can deduct the reason, record it here.

* Also discuss the overall message of the book.

* At times you may want to rewrite your conclusions after you have studied the book in depth.

In what style was the book written?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative | <input type="checkbox"/> Prophecy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poetry | <input type="checkbox"/> Gospels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wisdom | <input type="checkbox"/> Epistles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Where was the book written?

To help understand context, and if it is known, record where the book was written.

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BIBLE PASSAGE: _____

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Read: Book Read Passage: *Silently* *Outloud* *Other Version*

OBSERVATION

(What Does the Text Say?)

Main People

If there are people who are prominent in this passage, record them here. Is there a protagonist / antagonist?

Key Words

Record any words and/or phrases that are repeated. They may be a clue for what is on God's heart for this passage.

About God the Father / Jesus / Holy Spirit

Record any truths you learn about God's character, His thoughts, and His actions.

Key Verse / Main Theme / What Is the Passage About?

Write out the key verse and/or discuss the main theme of the passage.

Context: Times and Places

Record the when and where. Also note what happened before and after this passage.

Challenges / Questions

Write down any questions you have about the passage here and record the answer when you find it.

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BIBLE PASSAGE: _____

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Passage Title: _____

INTERPRETATION

(What Does the Text Mean?)

Paraphrase

Write out the passage in your own words. This will help:

- To understand the passage better
- To remember the passage better and internalize it.

Cross-References

Look up the cross-references in the margin of the passage and record any interesting insights / anything that helps you understand the passage better.

Key Principles

After paraphrasing and looking up cross-references, what are some of the key principles of the passage?

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APPLICATION (What Does the Passage Mean for Me?)

Commands

Record any explicit and/or implicit commands you found in the passage.

Promises

Record any promises you would like to hold onto.

Favorite Verse

Record your favorite verse of the passage. You may even want to memorize it.

How Can I Apply the Passage?

- What is God trying to tell me
- What is my response?
- What changes can I make in how I think, speak, or act?
- How does this passage encourage me and help me grow in my relationship with God and as a person?
- Did God show me any sin I should repent from?
- Is there something that is keeping me from applying what I learnt?
- Could someone else benefit from what I learnt in this passage?

Prayer

- Repent from any sin the Lord has uncovered through this passage.
- Thank God / praise God for any truths that have blessed your heart.
- Ask the Lord for help to apply key principles to your life.