



SURVEY OF BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS

IBS OVERVIEW

- 1. Observations- Observing what the text is saying.**
- 2. Interpretations- Understanding what the text is saying.**
- 3. Affirmations- affirming our interpretations are consistent with orthodoxy.**
- 4. Applications- The implications of the meaning of the text.**



I. OBSERVATION

- A. Read (5x)**
- B. Identify: (Phrases/Patterns - Literature/List of evidence)**
- C. Structure: (Transitions/Division/Pericopes/Paragraphs - Relationships)**
- D. Ask/Raise Questions**

***Cite all observations (verse/passage)**

***Don't add anything that isn't there (Deduction/Eisegesis)**

***Use guide to help with questions.**



II. INTERPRETATION

- A. Select Question to Answer (Meaning of passage/Verse).**
- B. Review Observations looking for evidence to answer.**
- C. Answer your own Question based on evidence.**
- D. Summarize: Passage/Verse and meaning (your answer)**

***Cite all ideas (verse/passage).**



III. AFFIRMATIONS

- A. Cross reference (use scripture to interpret scripture)
- B. Commentaries (see what others have found)
- C. Christ Centered (Who Jesus is and what Jesus has done should be seen)
- D. Affirm or Adjust your interpretation
- E. Make your final Interpretation.

*Cite all ideas (verse/passage).



IV. APPLICATION

A. Summarize the purpose of the passage and it's meaning in way for others to clearly see it's significance

B. Employ the Great Commandment- think of personal, cultural practices that do NOT resemble the meaning of the passage. This involves a lot of self reflection. Think physical, spiritual, mental

C. Then list out steps one can take to conform your life to this truth and how you can lead others to do the same.

D. Share your knowledge



EXAMPLE OF INTERPRETATION

LUKE 24:35



