

HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE LESSON

Application and Hermeneutics Overview

Lesson #4 (Answers to Homework)

HOMEWORK

- I. **Read the appendix** at the end of this lesson entitled, “Implementation: The Missing Ingredient.” Consider the importance of not only “knowing” what the application is, but also but how to put the application into practice.

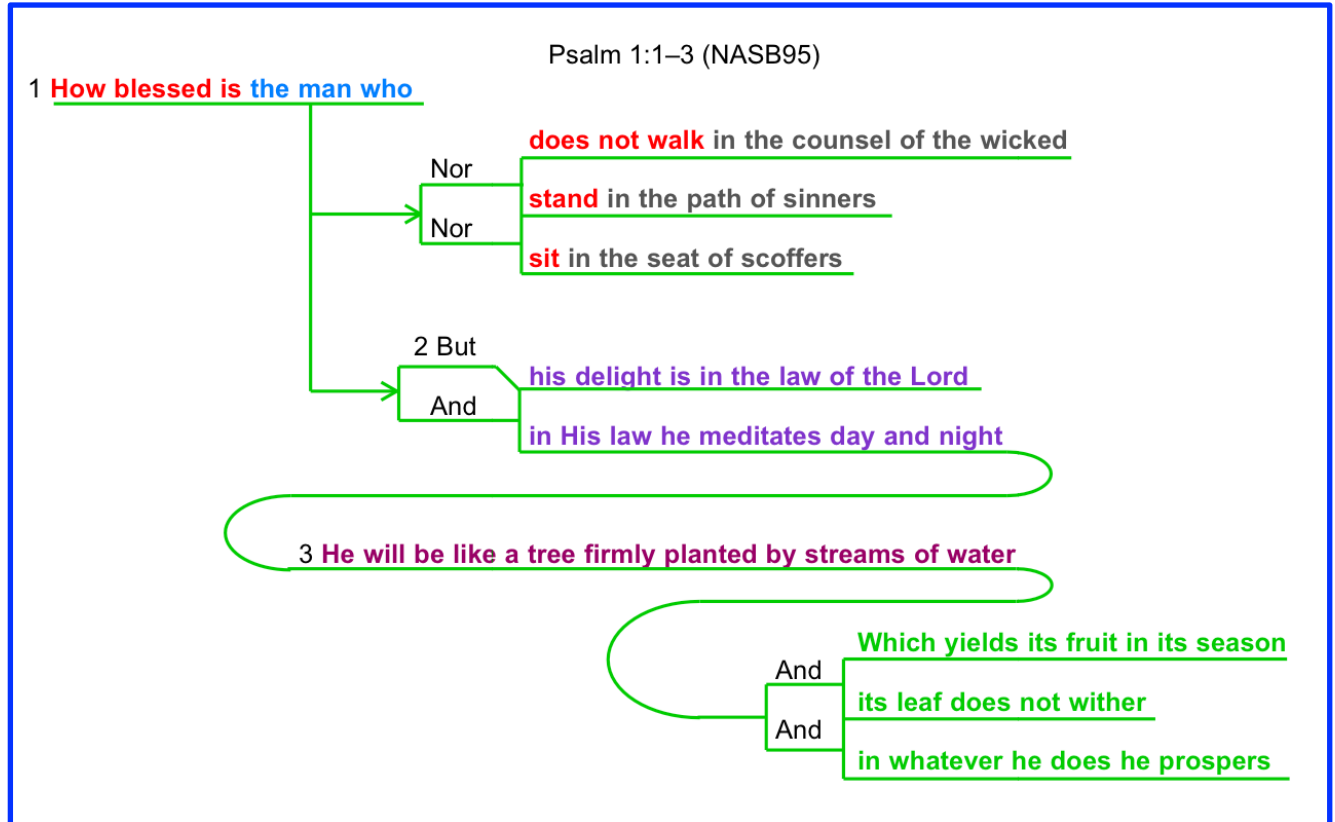
- II. **Study Psa. 1:1-3** and see if you can create a teaching outline and summary interpretation of what these verses teach as a whole.
 - A. See if you can break down **Psa. 1:1-3** into main points and sub points.
 - B. Group similar points under the heading of one main point, if necessary.
 - C. Make a teaching outline from these verses as if you were going to teach a Sunday school class or give a talk to others about what this text means.
 - D. Then create a title for your study/talk/sermon that matches the overall meaning of all the points and the meaning of the text. Make sure your title and each of the main points of the teaching outline include the second person “You” or “Your” or a command.
 - E. Write a summary paragraph of what **Psa. 1:1-3** means or teaches.
 - F. Write out some principles from the text that would apply to any believer of any age.

“HOW YOU CAN BE BLESSED BY THE LORD”

1. **WHAT YOU MUST AVOID TO BE BLESSED**
 - a. Avoid walking in the counsel of the wicked
 - b. Avoid standing in the path of sinners
 - c. Avoid sitting in the seat of scoffers

2. **WHAT YOU MUST PURSUE TO BE BLESSED**
 - a. Delight in the law of the Lord
 - b. Meditate on the Law of the Lord

3. **HOW YOU WILL BE BLESSED**
 - a. You will be like a tree planted by a stream
 - b. You will bear fruit for the Lord
 - c. You will persevere under trial
 - d. You will have a prosperous life



III. **Summary Paragraph:** David, in Psalm 1:1-3 gives us a description of the person who is blessed by the Lord. He tells us what the blessed person avoids, pursues, and how the person who does these things is blessed by the Lord.

IV. **Principles for Application:**

- A. Christians must avoid engaging in the activities of the ungodly if they desire to be blessed by the Lord.
- B. Christians must avoid spending time with the ungodly for pleasure lest they become influenced by their ungodliness.
- C. Christians need to delight in reading, studying, and learning about the Bible.
- D. Christians need to meditate, think on, consider, and ponder what they learn from the Bible.
- E. Christians who avoid sin and bad company, but instead learn, meditate on, and obey the Word of God, can expect to have a spiritually prosperous life.