HOW TO STUDY AND TEACH THE BIBLE

The Purpose (Moving from the "Then" to the "Now") "BRIDGE"

What does God want my people to know?

What does God want my people to do?

The Study (Working in the past)

The Lesson (Working in the present)

The Main Point of the Text (MPT) "Heart"

What was the main point then?

-Theme: What is the biblical author talking about?

-Complement: What is the biblical author saying about what he is talking about?

The Main Point of the Lesson (MPL) "Heart"

What is my main point today?

-Theme: What am I talking about?

-Complement: What am I saying about what I am talking about?

Structure the Scriptures "Skeleton"

-Find the seams
-Analyze the argument
-Outline the text

Structure the Lesson "Skeleton"

-Outline the Lesson
-Complete Sentences
-Present Tense Sentences
-Tie All Points to the Text

Study the Scriptures "Flesh"

Observation
Interpretation

Teach the Scriptures "Flesh"

Introduction
Body
1.Body
2.Illustration
3.Application
Conclusion
(Invitation)