

Verse Analysis

How to Do Verse Analysis

Verse analysis is a rewarding place to begin analytical Bible study. The instructions are simple. First, copy the verse from one or more versions of the Bible. Write it under the heading *verse* for study.

Then, under the heading *message*, write out in your own words what the verse says—what it commands, teaches, warns of, or promises.

Now look at the verses immediately preceding and following the verse. These are known as the context of the verse. Under the heading *context*, record first the thoughts added by the verses preceding your study verse. Then record the thoughts added by the verses following the study verse.

Record next the questions that the verse raises in your mind, or the problems you think it might pose for you or someone else. These can be recorded under the heading *questions*.

The final section of your study is the *application*. Under this heading, describe one specific way you can change your attitudes or action because of the teaching of this verse.

Verse for Study:

Message:

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