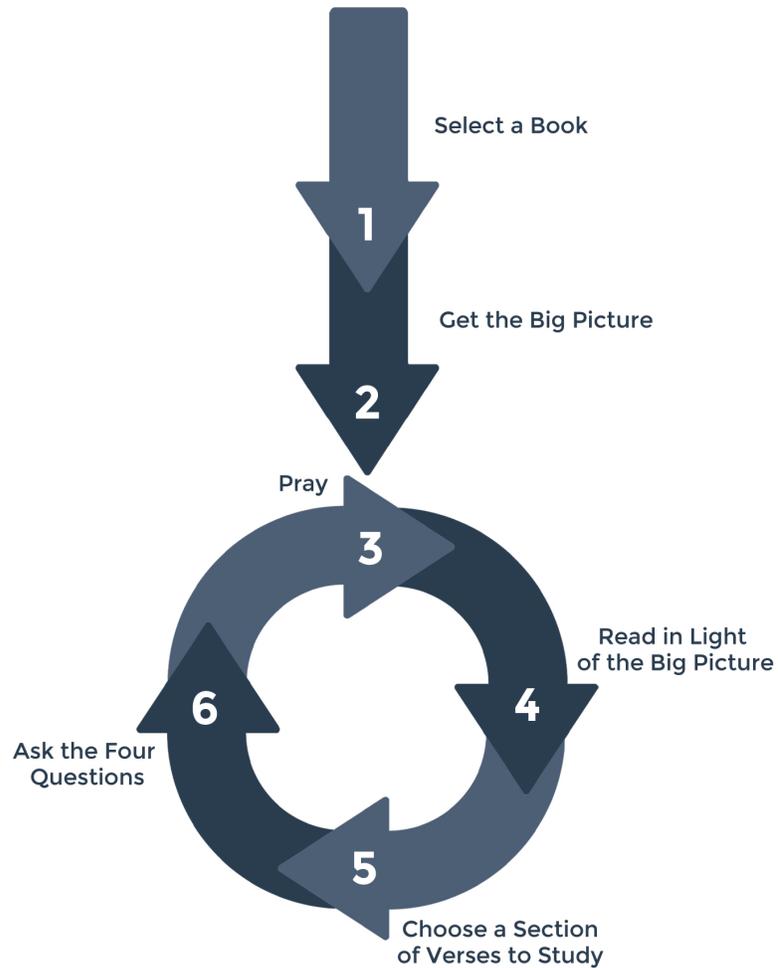


SATURATION BIBLE STUDY

The Passage Path



The first two steps are necessary before we examine a new passage or book, and the other four steps we repeat every time we come to a new verse or section.

1. SELECT A BOOK OR PASSAGE

2. GET THE BIG PICTURE

2.1 – THE AUTHOR

(Who wrote the book?)

2.2 – THE AUDIENCE

(Who was the author writing to?)

2.3 – THE AUTHOR’S PURPOSE OF THE BOOK

(What’s the point?)

2.4 – THE BACKGROUND

(What’s going on?)

2.5 – THE GENRE

(What’s the category?)

2.6 – THE OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

(What is the structure?)

2.7 – THE MAJOR THEMES AND TOPICS

(What's it all about?)

3. PRAY

TAKE THE TIME BEFORE EVERY STUDY TO:

- Consecrate your heart and mind
- Surrender your life and will
- Ask for wisdom, insight, and grace to understand
- Commit to obey His Word regardless of how difficult it may be
- Declare that you desire to know Him (not just information) and that you long for the Word to sanctify and transform your life so that you might be conformed to the image of Christ
- Ask for His involvement, grace, and enablement not only in the study but to live it out

4. READ IN LIGHT OF THE BIG PICTURE

5. CHOOSE A SECTION OF VERSES TO STUDY

6. ASK THE FOUR QUESTIONS:

1. WHAT DOES IT SAY IN CONTEXT?

(Observation)

2. WHAT DID IT MEAN TO THE ORIGINAL AUDIENCE?

(Interpretation)

3. HOW DOES IT CONNECT WITH THE REST OF SCRIPTURE?

(Connection)

4. WHAT DOES IT CHANGE IN MY LIFE?

(Application)