

HOMES SPRINGING WITH LIFE: New Goals: Obey

Reading My Bible: 7 Arrows

This method of reading scripture is a powerful way to learn to engage in God's Word. It is perfect for discipling relationships or personal reading. Rather than getting people to simply talk about the Bible, the goal of the 7 arrows is to help people understand the Bible in a deeper way and know how to apply it to their lives. Read the passage and then use the arrows/questions to guide your reflection and discussion of that passage.

PASSAGES: [Matthew 1:18-25](#)

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1. What does this passage say? *Summarize the main point of the passage.*



2. What does this passage mean to it's original audience? *Use study tools, cross references, and adjacent passages to discern the authorial intent for the passage.*



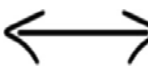
3. What does this passage tell us about God? *What do you learn about the nature and character of God, and specifically His work through Jesus Christ?*



4. What does this passage tell us about man? *What does it say about humanity, sin, and mankind's need for the Gospel?*



5. What does this passage demand of me? *Apply the meaning of this passage to your own life.*



6. How does this passage change the way I relate to people? *How does this text shape how you relate to other believers and how you live on mission in the world?*



7. How does this passage prompt me to pray? *Spend time in prayer, rooted in the Scriptures.*