

Suggestions For "Putting It All Together"

DO:

- Major portion of your time . . .determining the meaning of the text
- Determine the over riding Point of the passage
 - if more than one point to be covered . . . do a series
 - Single Point per message
 - What did the Holy Spirit teach you?
- Craft the message to exclude extraneous data
- Ask how can I teach the material from different viewpoints
 - Repeat the point
 - Support the point with counter examples
 - Support the point with illustrations
 - Use other scriptures to reinforce the point
- Organization . . . Organization . . . Organization (This the gift of teaching . . .)
 - Make it a logical flow
 - Struggle with what to put in the Introduction vs the main body
 - Try narration even when the text is "Pauline"
 - Build to your application & allow time to give the application
- Ask people to "turn in your Bibles to . . . "

DON'T:

- Be overly technical and theoretical
- Repeat your study
- Draw conclusions NOT SUPPORT BY THE TEXT
- Ignore the Introduction or the Conclusion
- Forget to ask "Can I really support that from the text?"
- Conclude your viewpoint is correct just because other commentators agree

Suggestions For Discovering The Application

- 1. The Goal Of Scripture is 2 Tim. 3:15 - 17**
- 2. Application Does Not Stop With The Meaning**
- 3. Application Is An Implied Course of Action - avoid legalism**
- 4. Translate Cultural Applications To Our Culture**
- 5. Let God's Word Be Its Own Blessing**
- 6. Avoid Extremes - Be Balanced**
- 7. Base Application On the Meaning of the Text**
- 8. Do Not Search For "Wow" Applications**
- 9. Is Your Application Supported By Other Scripture?**
- 10. Don't Avoid Application Because Someone May Be Offended**

Guidelines For Using Illustrations

1. Illustrations Must Fit & Support The Meaning & Application
2. Illustrate A Principle, Phrase or Word Meaning?
3. Don't Try To Be Cute . . .
4. There Are Many Applications
 - Personal Life
 - Avoid Canned Stories
 - Cartoons
 - Old Testament & New Testament Illustrations
 - Poems
 - News Paper Articles
 - Etc.

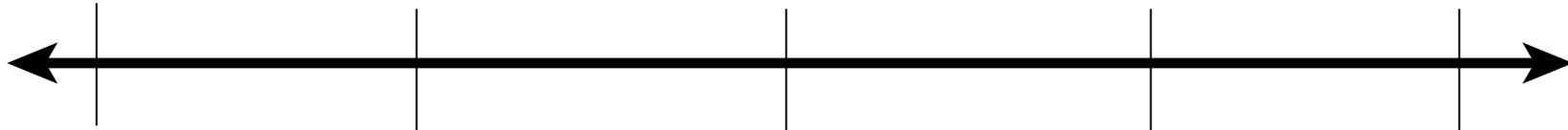
**One Really Good Illustration is Better
Than Several/Many Poor Illustrations**

One Point

TEACHING STYLES

Max. Information
Communicated

Max. People
Involvement



Preaching

Teaching

Dialog

CONTROLLED
GROUP
DISCUSSION

Free Group
Discussion

