

How to write your own Bible Study Material: A Suggested Process - Bob Walz

1. Study the topic thoroughly. You must study the topic well to be able to lead them through questions to discover the text.
 2. Devise an outline or table of contents for what you want to study, pay attention to key themes that have surfaced in your study and what your time limit is for the study (I make most semester studies 12-14 weeks long.)
 3. Devise a methodology for study that you teach in the first two to three weeks and then stick with that methodology throughout the study (you want them learning about the topic and to have the methodology become secondhand through constant use.
 4. Pay attention to themes and how you can use the message themes as graphics (see my use of clouds in the I, II Thess Study (Keep Your Hope UP (like clouds))
<https://bit.ly/30hfb0l>
 5. Write or type out your study chapter by chapter using your chosen methodology
 6. I don't write my studies all in one day I do it over a period of days, weeks or even months
 7. Pay attention to your questions. (1) Ask questions that you want to know the answer to, and (2) also questions they may avoid, start with information or summary of discovery questions. (3) Move to questions of the meaning of the text and its implications in their lives. (4) Lastly focus on questions of application and life change. What difference will it make that they have studied this passage?
 8. After writing the study/resource package it well. I suggest getting a copy of book called "the Non-Designer's Design Book" by Robin Williams (not the actor)
Available here: <https://amzn.to/3wEZHQj>
- This book will teach you basic principles of design that will enhance the visual appearance and effectiveness of the resource you are producing.
9. Figure out how you want to enclose the material. Will it be a 3 ring binder? Do you want to put a spiral binding on it or put it in a folder?
 10. Put a price on the material and make sure you are not losing money. Be prepared for complaints. Students don't understand the cost of producing good materials. They think you are just making copies.

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