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40 DAYS IN THE WORD

LESSON 3

TITLE: APPLICATION AND TRANSFORMATION.

The ultimate goal of biblical study is not interpretation, but application.

Not information, but transformation.

John 17:17

Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

Bible study without application is dangerous because...

Knowledge produces pride

Your knowledge must make it to your heart. Absent from that is a judgmental spirit/attitude.

1Cor 13... if I have all the knowledge in the world and I do not have love, I'm nothing.

Knowledge is lethal without love.

Knowledge requires action

What are we doing with our knowledge?

Psalms 119:59-60 59 I have considered my ways and have turned my steps to your statutes. 60 I will hasten and not delay to obey your commands.

Knowledge increases responsibility

James 4:17 If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them.

We must apply scripture to our life.

Applying the Bible is difficult because...

It requires serious thinking

Satan fights it,

He hates doers of the Word.

We naturally resist change

God's primary purpose in the Bible is to change us and there-in lies the conflict.

Spiritual maturity is choosing to obey and applying to scripture to your life.

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How do you apply scripture to your life?

As you read the text, you want to ask three questions.

Ask:

What did it mean then?

What is the timeless truth?

How does it apply now?

You're moving from then to now.

The now is applying it.

An application is something I intend to do.

Write it down.

The Word never changes,

The world always changes