

HERMENEUTICS

#5- MAKING APPLICATION

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REVIEW OF LESSON 4: HOLY SPIRIT AND PRAYER

“What we are proving is that there is more required for a useful apprehension and understanding of the mind of God in the Scripture, than the mere objective proposal of it to us, and our diligent use of outward means to come to the knowledge of it. Yet, as we will show, this is from the Holy Spirit also. The denial of this, by just consequence, voids the principal means by which we may come to such an understanding — namely, frequent and fervent prayers for the aid and assistance of the Holy Spirit. So too, no tolerable account can be given of the mind of God and the meaning of the Scripture in the passages insisted on.”

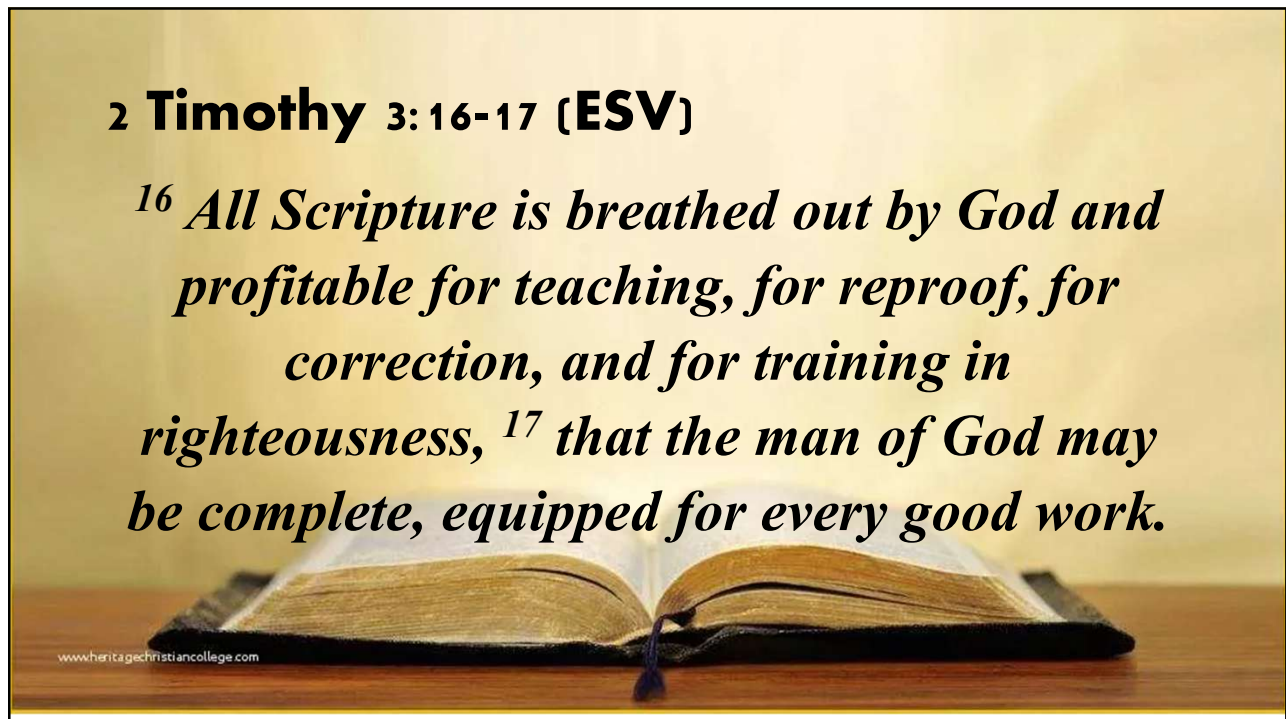
John Owen. Pneumatologica – Part 2. 170.

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MAKING APPLICATION

- A proper grammatico-historical method must be used to get at meaning.
- Then we ask questions like:
 - What am I supposed to do?
 - What is my response supposed to be?

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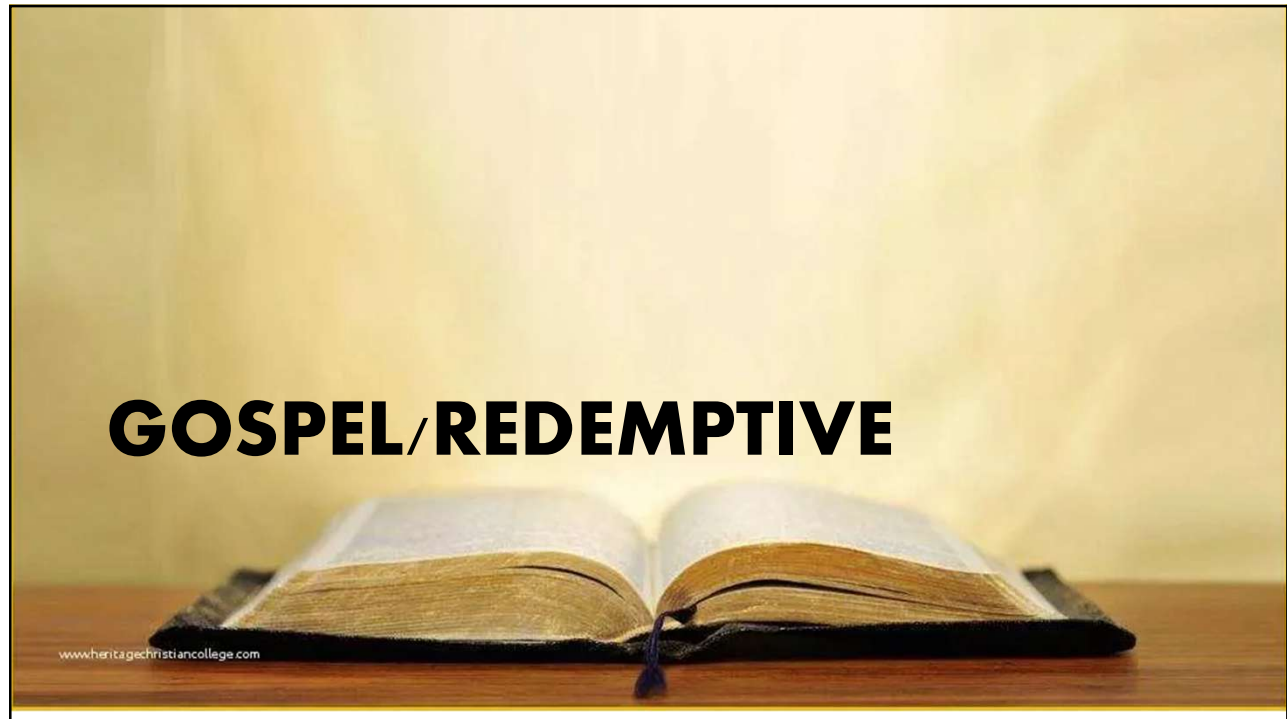
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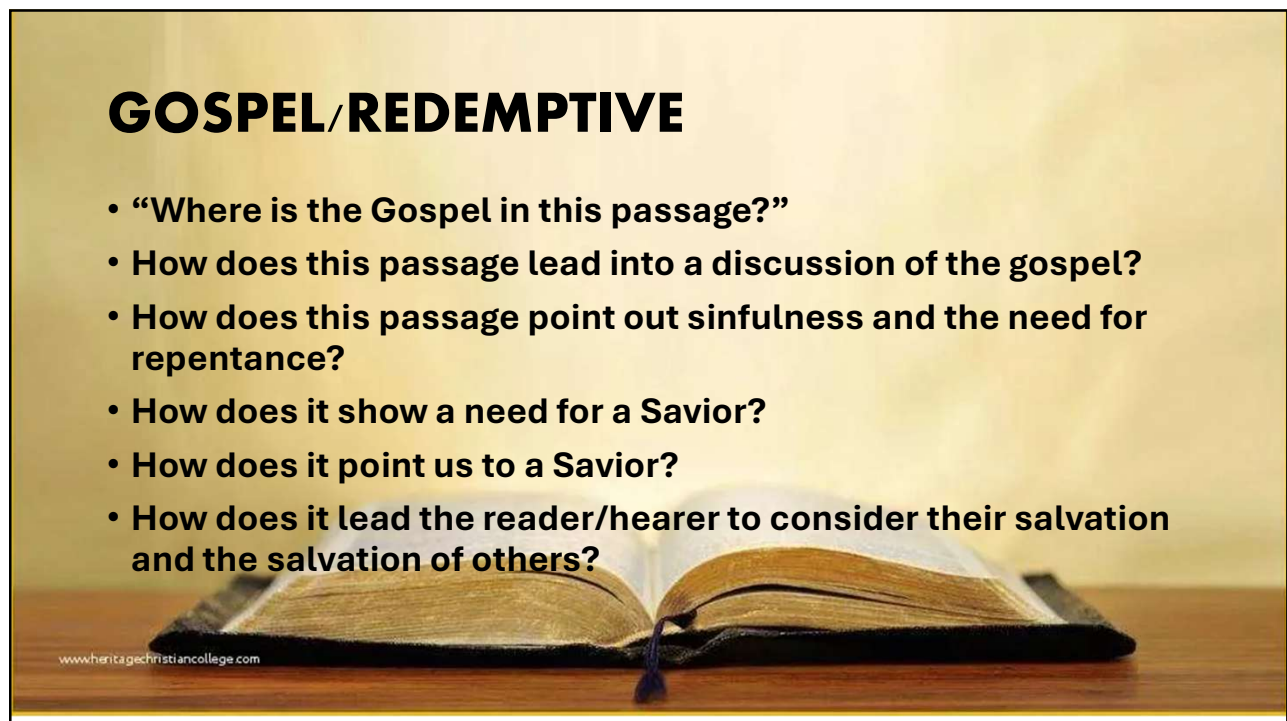
- Redemptive
- Devotional
- Discipleship
- Corrective

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GOSPEL/REDEMTIVE

- Place in redemptive history
- Types and symbols

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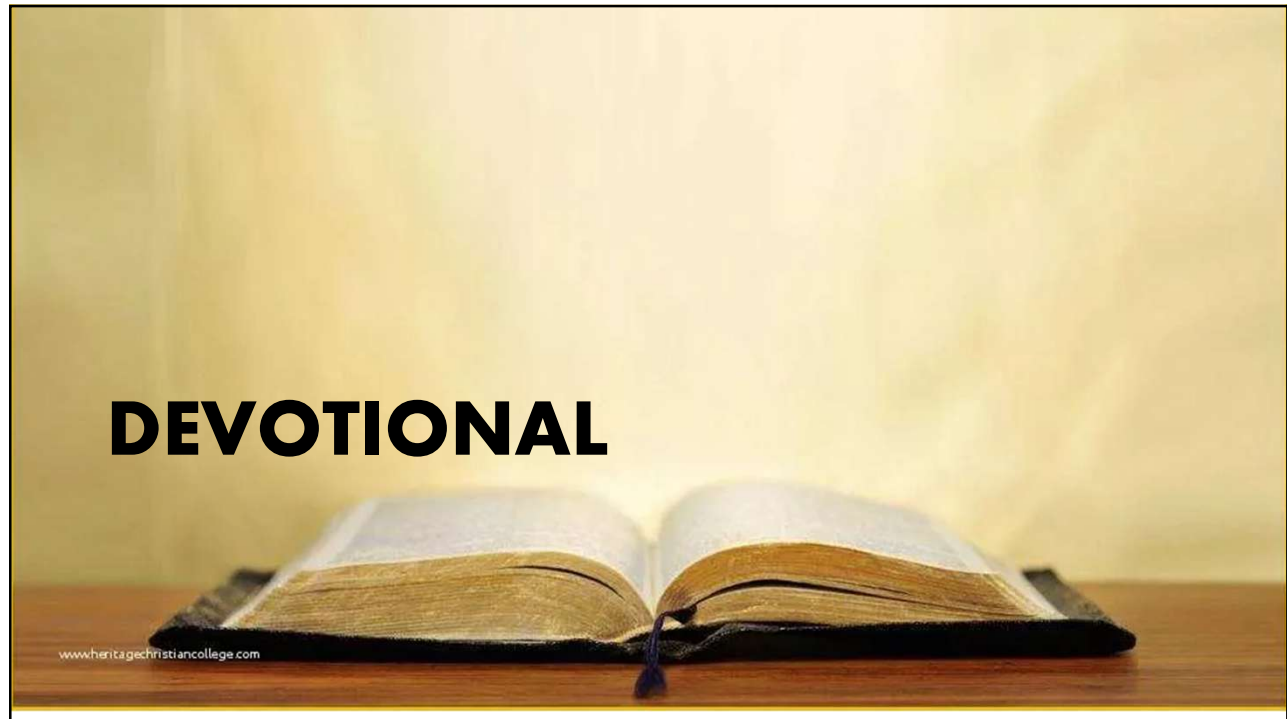
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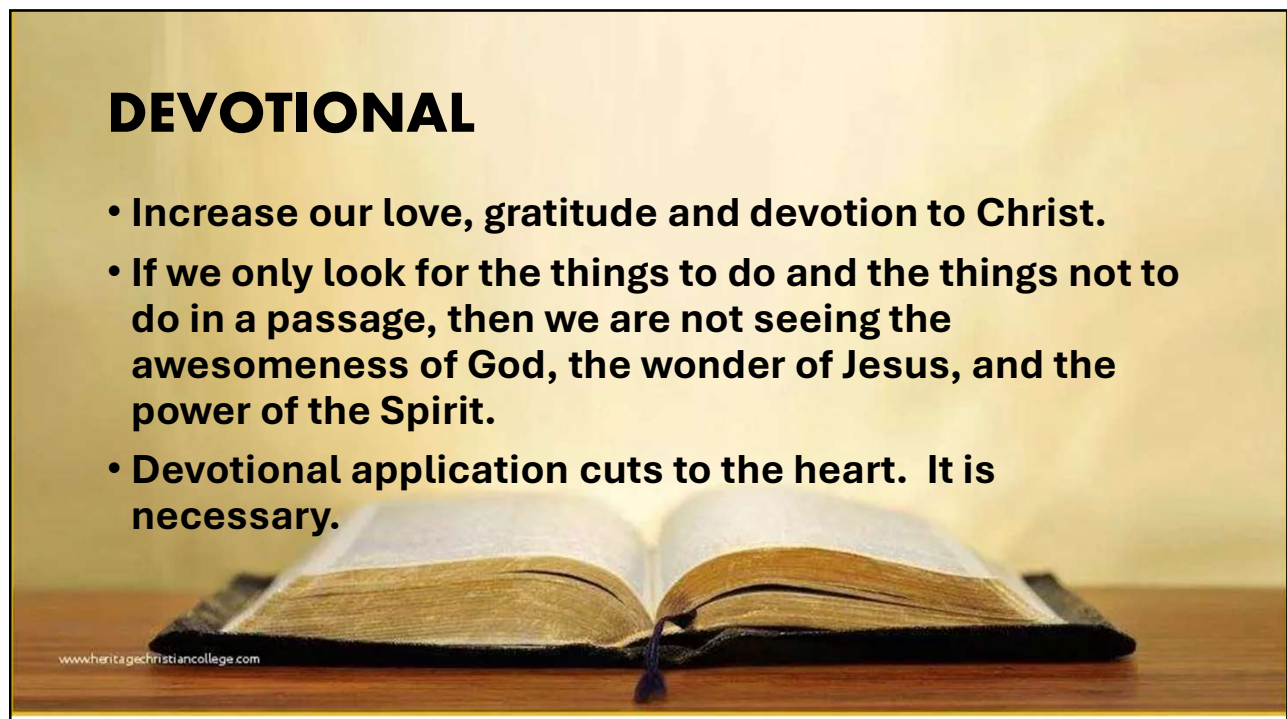
- Revealing the sinfulness of man, need for the Gospel
- Cherish our salvation
- Continue in grace
- Proclaim the Gospel to Others

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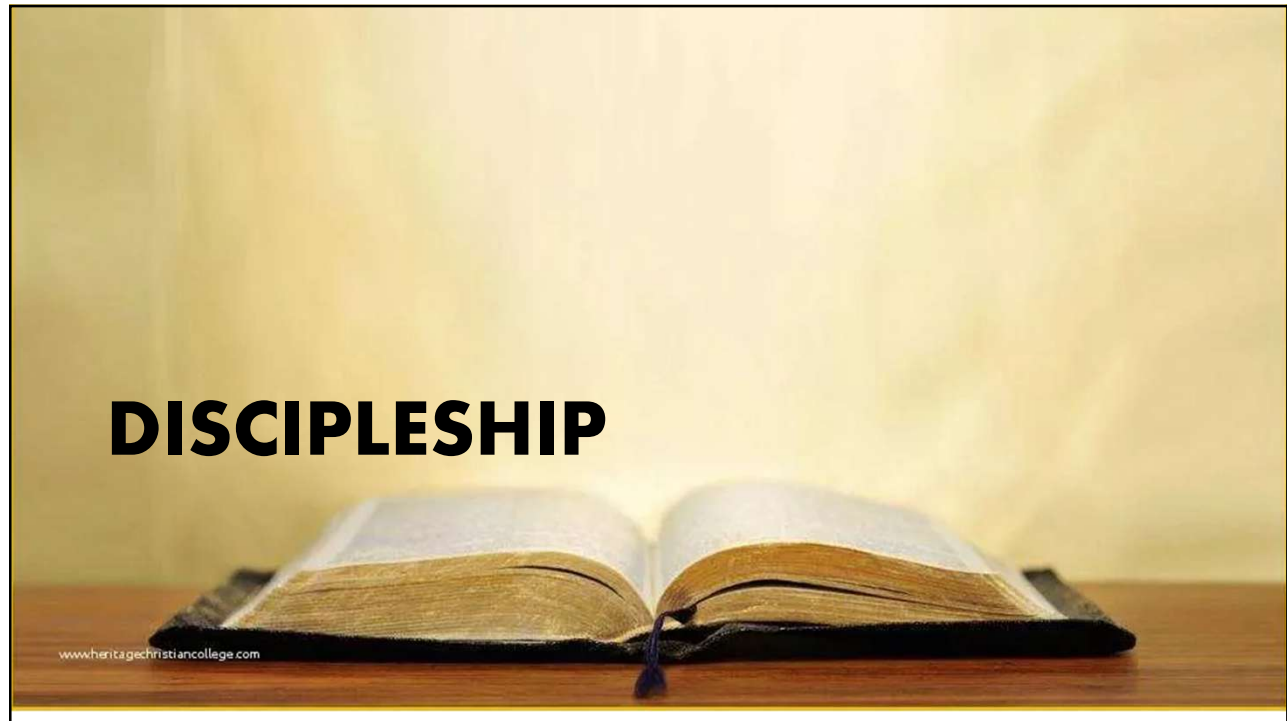
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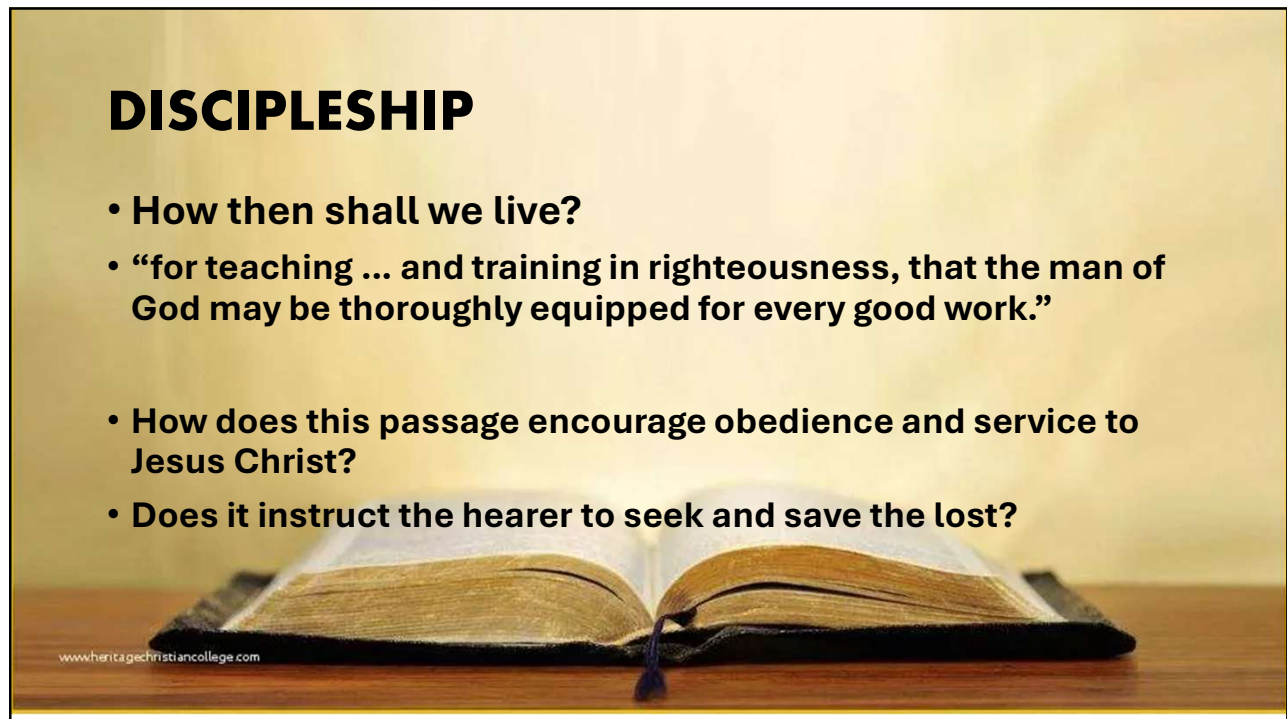
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DISCIPLESHIP

- Does it instruct the hearer in how to worship God?
- Does it instruct in how to live each day for the glory of God?
- Does it instruct the Christian how to live in a world that is lost?
- Does it help the reader to understand that discipleship is difficult?
- Does it encourage disciples as they undergo trials and temptations?

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REPROOF/CORRECTIVE

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REPROOF/CORRECTIVE

- the Scriptures are “...for reproof, for correction.”
- The Word of God corrects our doctrine
- The Word of God is also a corrective against sin.

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REPROOF/CORRECTIVE

- The mirror of the Word held up to their lives, so that they might see their sin as it really is.
- Learning to put sin to death
- Repentance is one of the most important applications of the Scriptures in the life of the believer.

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