

# Quick Starter Bible Application Guide

## 1. Start with the Meaning

- What did this passage mean to the original audience?
- Identify the main point or principle of the text.
- *Example:* Before applying Psalm 23, see how it expressed God's shepherd-like care to David.

## 2. Find Timeless Truths

- What truth about God, people, or life does this reveal?
- Look for unchanging principles that transcend culture.

## 3. Bridge the Gap

- How is your life similar or different from the original readers?
- How does this truth speak to your life today?

## 4. Ask Key Application Questions

- Is there a sin to avoid or confess?
- A command to obey?
- A promise to trust?
- An example to follow or avoid?
- A truth to believe or a lie to reject?
- A step of faith to take?

## 5. Be Specific

- Move from general to actionable steps.
  - **Not:** "I need to pray more."
  - **But:** "I will pray 10 minutes each morning this week."

## 6. Confirm with Scripture

- Ensure your application aligns with the whole counsel of God's Word.

## 7. Pray for Wisdom & Obedience

- Ask the Holy Spirit for clarity and strength to live out the truth.

## 8. Live It & Reflect

- Put it into action.
  - Ask: *Am I living this out? What needs to grow or change?*
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### **Quick Example**

**Text:** Philippians 2:3–4 – “*Do nothing out of selfish ambition...*”

**Meaning:** Paul calls for humility and putting others first.

**Timeless Truth:** God desires His people to live selflessly.

**My Action:** I will use my free time this week to help a neighbor.