

ELEMENTARY SMALL GROUP LESSON

ALOHA: KEEPING COOL WHEN THINGS GET HOT

**"DO WHAT GOD'S TEACHING SAYS; DO NOT JUST LISTEN AND DO NOTHING.
WHEN YOU ONLY SIT AND LISTEN, YOU ARE FOOLING YOURSELVES." JAMES 1:22**

S.O.A.P

S.O.A.P is a simple but helpful way to study the Bible and apply it to our own lives.

S.O.A.P stands for, **SCRIPTURE, OBSERVATION, APPLICATION AND PRAYER** and involves four simple steps.

S: SCRIPTURE

You physically write out the scripture. You'll be amazed what God will reveal to you just by taking the time to slow down and actually write out what you are reading!

O: OBSERVATION

What do you notice about the verses? What do you think the main message is? What verses, words or ideas jump out to you? Who is the audience? Is there a repetition of words?

A: APPLICATION

Ask God how He wants you to apply the verse to your own life. This is when God's Word becomes personal. What is God saying to me today? How can I apply what I just read to my own personal life? What changes do I need to make? Is there an action that I need to take?

P: PRAYER

Pray God's Word back to Him. If He has revealed something to you during this time in His Word, pray about it. Confess if He has revealed some sin that is in your life.

LET'S S.O.A.P TOGETHER

"God has breathed life into all Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true.
It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again.
It is useful for training us to do what is right."

2 TIMOTHY 3:16