

Rooted Week 2

For this week's study, I want you to observe, interpret, and apply Philippians 4:13. Often, the verse gets misapplied because it's shared without context and study.

Below, you will find Philippians 4:10-13 which you can highlight and take notes on. I've also included some help questions/thoughts for observation, interpretation, and application. I want to encourage you to print this out and make notes on the verses.

10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Observation - Becoming a detective and learning as much as possible about the text.

20 Observations about the text

20 Questions you have about the text

Ex. Paul rejoices greatly that the Philippians are helping him (v. 10)

Ex. Who is him? (v. 13)

Things to look for in observation:

What is the mood of the text?

Are there other verses in the Bible that could help shed light on these verses?

Who are the characters in the text? Key places?

What are the key words/phrases?

Are there repeated ideas?

*** Studying Paul's background and experiences would be helpful for these verses.

Interpretation - What does the text mean in its Biblical context? Make conclusions based off of your observations.

Some questions to consider as you think through the meaning:

What does this passage teach about God?

What does this passage teach about the church?

What does this passage teach about following Him?

What would the Philippians have understood when they received this letter?

List some of the main ideas from verses 10-13.

Re-write verse 13 in your own words making Paul's main idea clear.

Application - How does this truth apply in my life? We want to be doers of God's Word, not just hearers (James 1:22-25). Be as specific as possible to your life and there can be more than one application.

Some questions to consider as you think about the application:

Is there a truth I need to meditate on?

Is there a command to obey?

Is there an example to follow?

Is there a sin in my life to confess and repent of?

Is there a promise to believe?

Is there a principle I can put into practice?

How does this passage affect my relationship with God?

List at least 3 possible application:

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