

從看見到行動

當保羅傳福音給庇哩亞人時，他們「天天查考聖經，要曉得這道是與不是」：可知分辯能力的重要性。

雅各提醒我們要行道，不可單單聽道：可見實踐是必須的。

要靈命成長，我們需要有矩律的讀和行上帝的話。本課程強調實用性讀經：觀察、解釋和應用 (Observation, Interpretation & Application)。

藉著課堂內、外的習作和小組討論，學員有機會實踐知行合一的讀經。希望見到您。

參考書目

1. Living by the Book (全民讀經法) Howard Hendricks
2. Blueletterbible.org

第一課

I. 課程簡介

A. Billy Graham 的話

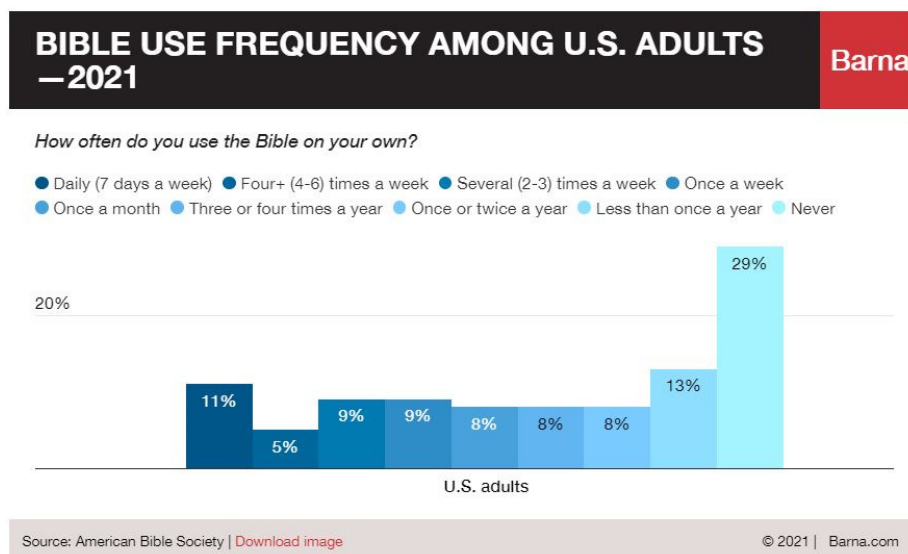
B. Gallup Poll 和 Barna Studies 作了以下的調查

- 24%美國人相信聖經是上帝自己的話 (literal word) ，是Gallup Poll 過去40年來最低

Americans' Belief in Biblical Literalism		
% The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word		
	1976	2017
	%	%
U.S. adults	38	24
Men	33	23
Women	41	26
18 to 29	32	12
30 to 49	34	24
50+	45	29
Protestant/Other Christian	46	35
Catholic	31	21
None	n/a	7

GALLUP

- 71%美國人認為聖經是一卷神聖的作品 (holy document) ，意思是聖經最少是上帝啓示的
- 60%美國人最少少會偶然讀聖經 (不用工具書) ，但只只有14%的人有參加查經班



□ Barna 在 2021 年的調查中發現疫情下美國人心靈的情況

- **Americans who have been personally impacted by the coronavirus were more likely to read the Bible.** Individuals were most likely to report an increase in Bible engagement if a family member in their household or a neighbor died from COVID-19. For those that have not personally known anyone who has died from COVID-19, their level of Bible engagement tended to stay the same.
- **While spirituality may seem optional in day-to-day life, people tend to look to the Bible for hope amid crisis.** 8 in 10 individuals who were hospitalized by COVID-19 said they wished they had used the Bible more. Others who did not experience the fear as acutely decreased their Bible engagement, or it stayed the same as it was in January.
- **Food, TV/streaming services and prayer/meditation have been the top sources of comfort during the pandemic.** Those tending to be more Scripture engaged were more likely to seek the Bible, family members and prayer/meditation for comfort. Those tending to be less Bible engaged were more likely to seek food, tv/streaming, and prescription drugs as sources of comfort.

— 詩篇的作者和保羅這樣的提醒我們（別神：God-substitute）

以別神代替耶和華的、他們的愁苦必加增。 【詩篇十六4上】

你們要謹慎行事、不要像愚昧人、當像智慧人。要愛惜光陰、因為現今的世代邪惡。不要作糊塗人、要明白主的旨意如何。不要醉酒、酒能使人放蕩、乃要被聖靈充滿。當用詩章、頌詞、靈歌、彼此對說、口唱心和的讚美主。凡事要奉我們主耶穌基督的名、常常感謝父上帝。 【以弗所書五15-20】

C. 我們呢？

- 給大家一條魚、教大家捕魚：我們會用 Living by the Book 一起學習

II. 讀經、研經

A. 常見的問題（Hendricks 第一章）

- Relevance：相關（與我日常生活有何共通點）
 - Relevant to what: Our priorities? Our current issues? Our current needs?
- Technique：技巧（不懂如何作）
 - Chicken-and-egg problem? How much skills are needed to begin?
- Time：沒時間
 - urgent vs. important；optional vs. essential
- Credibility：可信性
 - a genuine question on facts, faith & experience

- Boring：沉悶（來五2-14）
 - Does reading the Bible become an autonomous task?
- Others：你呢？（Hendricks, p.20）

B. 為甚麼要研經？（Hendricks 第二章）

- 屬靈成長（Spiritual Growth）
 - Like: attitude / Long for: appetite / Aim: to grow
 - Growing old vs. growing up（長老、長大）

就要愛慕那純淨的靈奶、像纔生的嬰孩愛慕奶一樣、叫你們因此漸長、以致得救。
【彼前二2】

- 屬靈成熟（Spiritual Maturity）
 - By this time（衡量）
 - Because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil（不是知多少、是有否行）

論到麥基洗德、我們有好些話、並且難以解明、因為你們聽不進去。看你們學習的工夫、本該作師傅、誰知還得有人將上帝聖言小學的開端、另教導你們。並且成了那必須喫奶、不能喫乾糧的人。凡只能喫奶的、都不熟練仁義的道理。因為他是嬰孩。惟獨長大成人的、纔能喫乾糧、他們的心竅、習練得通達、就能分辨好歹了。
【來五11-14】

- 屬靈豫備（Spiritual Effectiveness）
 - Equipped for every good work（什麼是好事、善事？）

聖經都是上帝所默示的、於教訓、督責、使人歸正、教導人學義、都是有益的。叫屬上帝的人得以完全、豫備行各樣的善事。
【提後三16-17】

- 讀 Hendricks, pp.26-28（Can We Trust the Bible?）

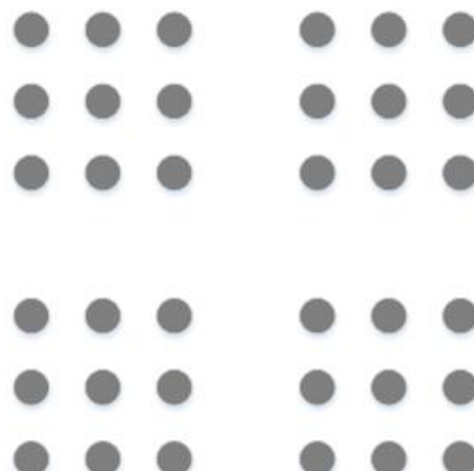
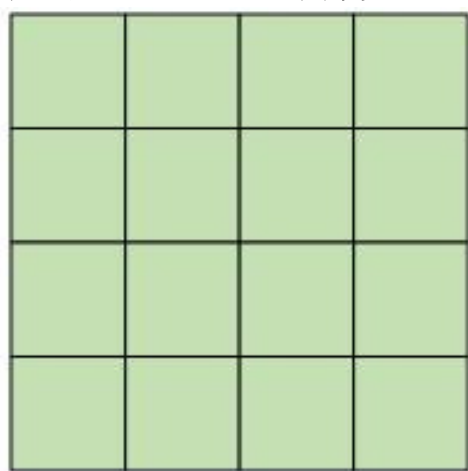
C. 需要一個方法（Hendricks 第三、四章）

- Expectations & be practical (realistic goals)
- 第一身的領會和體驗；不要先用別人的成果

- 按部就班，持之以恆，定可驗察的指標
- 研經三步曲：
 - 觀察 (Observation: What do I see? Terms, structure, literary form & atmosphere)
 - 解釋 (Interpretation: What does it mean? Questions, answers & integration)
 - 應用 (Application: How does it work? For me & for others)
- 馬太福音六9-13

D. 「觀察」 Observation (Hendricks 第五章)

- See vs. Observe
- 嘗試不同的方法和角度

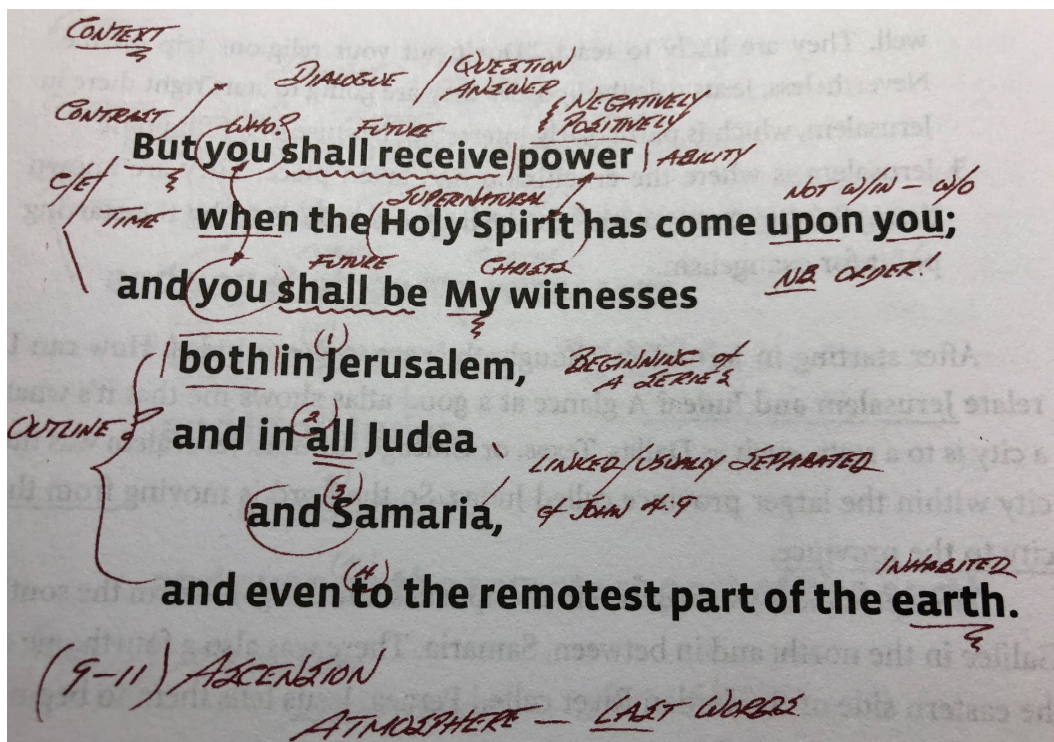


E. Observation 的介紹 (Hendricks 第六章)

- 使徒行傳一8

但聖靈降臨在你們身上、你們就必得著能力、並要在耶路撒冷、猶太全地、和撒瑪利亞、直到地極、作我的見證。

But you shall receive power
 when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;
 and you shall be My witness
 both in Jerusalem,
 and in all Judea,
 and Samaria,
 and even to the remotest part of the earth.



III. 功課

- A. 參考 Hendricks 第三章的提議，為自己定一個研經的方案？
- B. 以使徒行傳一8的方法，嘗試用約書亞記一8練習。