

## Suggested Colour Schemes:

- **Orange** = Names of God ~ **God, LORD, Lord, LORD of Hosts, Holy One of Israel**
- **Yellow** = Attributes & Actions of God – **Righteous, Holy, merciful~, created, redeemed, sanctified**
- **Red** = Commands & Questions ~ **Who are you?, Go, Come**
- **Blue** = Christian Virtues & Actions ~ **Love, Obey, Humble**
- **Green** = People, Places, Numbers, Times / Periods ~ **Noah, Jerusalem, forty, Day of judgment**
- **Brown** = Negative Ideas ~ **wither**
- **Purple** = Positive Ideas ~ **prosper**
- **Navy Blue** = Miscellaneous Colour

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- **Brown & Purple** = Comparisons & Contrasts ~ wages . . . Gift; death . . . **Eternal life** (Rom 6:23)
- **Red Circle** = Explanation or Conclusion, (e.g., **“for”**); Condition (e.g., **“if”**); Connections (e.g., **“and,” “therefore,” “likewise”**); Reason (e.g., **“because”**); **“for”** Contrasts (e.g., **“but”**); Conclusion **“if . . . then,”** etc.
- **Red Box** = Purpose / Results (e.g., **“that,” “so that,” “to”**); **“just as” . . . “so”**, etc.
- Use **Circles** and **Boxes** with the **other Colours** as you see fit, **but** try to be consistent in your usages.
- **Remember:** You also have **Underlining** and **Shading** (**Shading**)

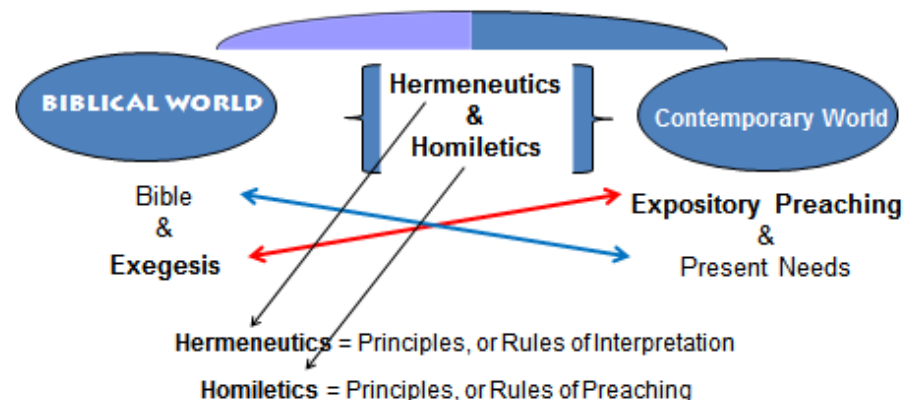
## Examples of Symbols

*(Use symbols sparingly. They take up too much Space & Time)*  
*– However, the suggested Topics / Areas are instructive. – Use Symbols in the Margins, not the Text!*

<u>Underline</u>				
Double Underline				
Box				
Circle				
Shaded				
Repent				

## Exegesis & Expository Preaching

*(Bridging the Gap Between Two Worlds)*



**Paragraph, Sentences, etc.**

- **Paragraph** = A sequential series of sentences that usually develops one main idea from a *topic sentence* (¶). A unit of text that develops one idea or topic in specific detail
- **Sentence** = A group of words that make a complete statement and expresses a complete thought.
- **Clause** = A group of related words containing a subject and a verb and functions as a unit of thought.
- **Phrase** = A group of related words without subject or verb combination, functioning as a single unit of expression and used as a single Part of Speech.

**Examples of “Connecting” & “Tip-off” Words**

**Connecting Words**

Connecting words reveal key ideas and relationships. Listed below, are some of these words, together with an explanation of what they indicate, and an example of each. This list and the definitions / explanations are not intended to be exhaustive or comprehensive. They are only tentative and illustrative. However, it will get you started in observing the types of details, you should be seeking or considering.

**but** **Introduces a Contrast**  
 Romans 1:21, “For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God, or give thanks; **but** they became futile in their speculations and their foolish heart was darkened.” (NASB)

**if** **Introduces a Condition**  
 Romans 10:9 “...that **if** you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved,” (NASB)

**because / for** **Introduces a Reason, or Drawing an Inference**  
 Romans 9:10 “And if Christ is in you, though the body is dead **because** of sin, yet the spirit is alive **because** of righteousness.” (NASB)

**therefore** **Introduces a Result or Drawing an Inference**  
 Romans 5:1 “**Therefore**, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” (NASB)

**as / just as, / so / like** **Introduces a Comparison**  
 Romans 11:30-31 “for **just as** you once were disobedient to God, but now have been shown mercy because of their disobedience, **so** these also now have been disobedient, in order that because of the mercy shown to you they also may now be shown mercy.” (NASB)

**so that / that** **Introduces a Purpose**  
 Romans 12:2 “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, **that** you may prove what the will of God is” (NASB)

**“if... then”** **Introduces Condition or Consequence – Draws a Conclusion**  
 I Corinthians 15:13 “But **if** there is no resurrection of the dead, **then** not even Christ has been raised.” (ESV)

**Note:** It is important to read the **Text** carefully in order to determine the proper interpretation & application of the “*connecting*” or “*tip-off*” words.

# Bible Marking Guide

## Meditating in Colours: The Process



## Plans: Reading & Studying the Bible

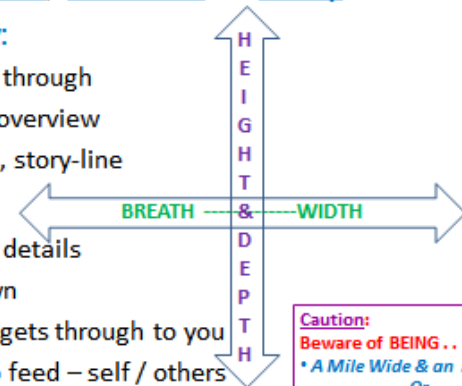
- We need to read, meditate & study the Bible:

**– Horizontally:**

- Read to get through
- Get flow & overview
- Get context, story-line

**– Vertically:**

- Read to get details
- Drilling down
- Meditate - gets through to you
- Meditate to feed – self / others
- Study to teach & preach



**Caution:**  
 Beware of BEING...  
 • A Mile Wide & an Inch Deep  
 Or  
 • A Mile Deep & an Inch Wide!