Talking about the Bible

Review: Assumptions, Objectives, and Assertions

Assumptions: All believers talk about the Bible. Believers don’t always follow a very Bible-informed process. In our current age of outrage, believers can do better.

Objectives: Be prepared, faithful, and engaging

Assertions: God tells us what the Bible is. God tells us what the Bible gives. God tells us the resources He provides.

Review: Process Step #1: Pray

Our attitudes: Fear, dependence, and expectancy

Our actions: Pray for illumination, wisdom, and for hearing for the hearers

Our practice: Pray before we talk

Review: Process Step #2: Hear

Our attitudes: Respect and deference

Our actions: Read the Bible out loud to others and hear the Bible being read aloud

Our practice: Hearing isn’t reading and hear more often
Process Step #3: Think

Why think about God’s word? (1 Corinthians 13:11; Isaiah 55:8-9; Romans 8:5)

Our attitudes
1. ______________ (Psalm 119:15, 27)

2. ____________ (Psalm 119:48; 92:5)

3. ____________________ (Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1:2)

Our actions
1. Think about God’s word _____ and ________ (Psalm 63:6; 119:148)

2. Think ___ (Colossians 3:2)

Our practice: John 18:1-11

Next week: Process Step #4: Talk

Homework
1. Pray for help in understanding John 18:1-11
2. Hear John 18:1-11 often this week
3. Think about John 18:1-11 day and night week
4. Invite a member or non-member

Suggested resource