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| 1. Discover <br> * Select topic <br> * Word is defined and recorded <br> * Build Idea Map <br> * Locate resources <br> * Read and take notes <br> * Define terms <br> * Understand concepts | 1. Excite <br> * Create an interest <br> * Motivate student by making the lesson meaningful to their lives <br> * Mind mapping <br> * Brainstorming <br> * Watch a video <br> * Discuss the topic <br> * Make a list <br> *Draw tentative conclusions | 1. Research <br> *Define word from Webster's 1828 Dictionary. <br> *Key words within definition are underlined and defined. *Each word is researched in a concordance of the Bible and the references relevant to the definition are written out. |
| 2. Discern <br> * Find Scriptural principles <br> * Compare to God's truth <br> * Ask questions <br> * Organize and outline <br> * Decide what is important <br> *Relate to the Wisdom Booklet | 2. Examine <br> * Find out the facts <br> * Research on internet <br> * Read a book on the subject <br> * Read a classic <br> * Research encyclopedia <br> * Refer to a commentary <br> * View maps <br> * Interview an expert <br> * Interact with software | 2. Reason <br> *A definition of the word is written by the student in his own words. <br> *Biblical principles are then deduced and recorded from the study. |
| 3. Develop <br> * Apply in your own life <br> * Internalize, personalize <br> * Put in your own words <br> * Plan how to edify others | 3. Expand <br> * Do something with what you learned <br> * Reinforce the lesson by completing an assignment or creating a project based on what has been learned <br> * Mind map <br> * Complete a writing assignment <br> * Create illustrations <br> * Make a model <br> * Perform an experiment <br> * Create a diorama <br> * Write songs or poetry <br> * Trace journey on a map <br> * Make a booklet, poster, or pamphlet | 3. Relate <br> *The student writes out the application of the definition and the deduced principles as they relate to the study purpose and to his own life. |
| 4. Document <br> * Communicate-make it understandable to others <br> * Present concepts clearly <br> * Use your own words and ideas <br> * Give steps of action <br> * Report, minit-book, poster, art, etc. | 4. Excel <br> * Pull everything together and share it with another <br> * When a student can teach someone else what he has learned, he knows the subject <br> * Create a portfolio <br> * Narrate the subject <br> * Explain a project <br> * Give a report <br> * Share writing assignments <br> * Explain the portfolio <br> * Create artwork <br> * Share oral stories <br> * Recite poetry <br> * Share songs | 4. Record <br> *The student's written work, filed in his notebook, is a permanent record of learning and is easily appropriated for future study. |

