

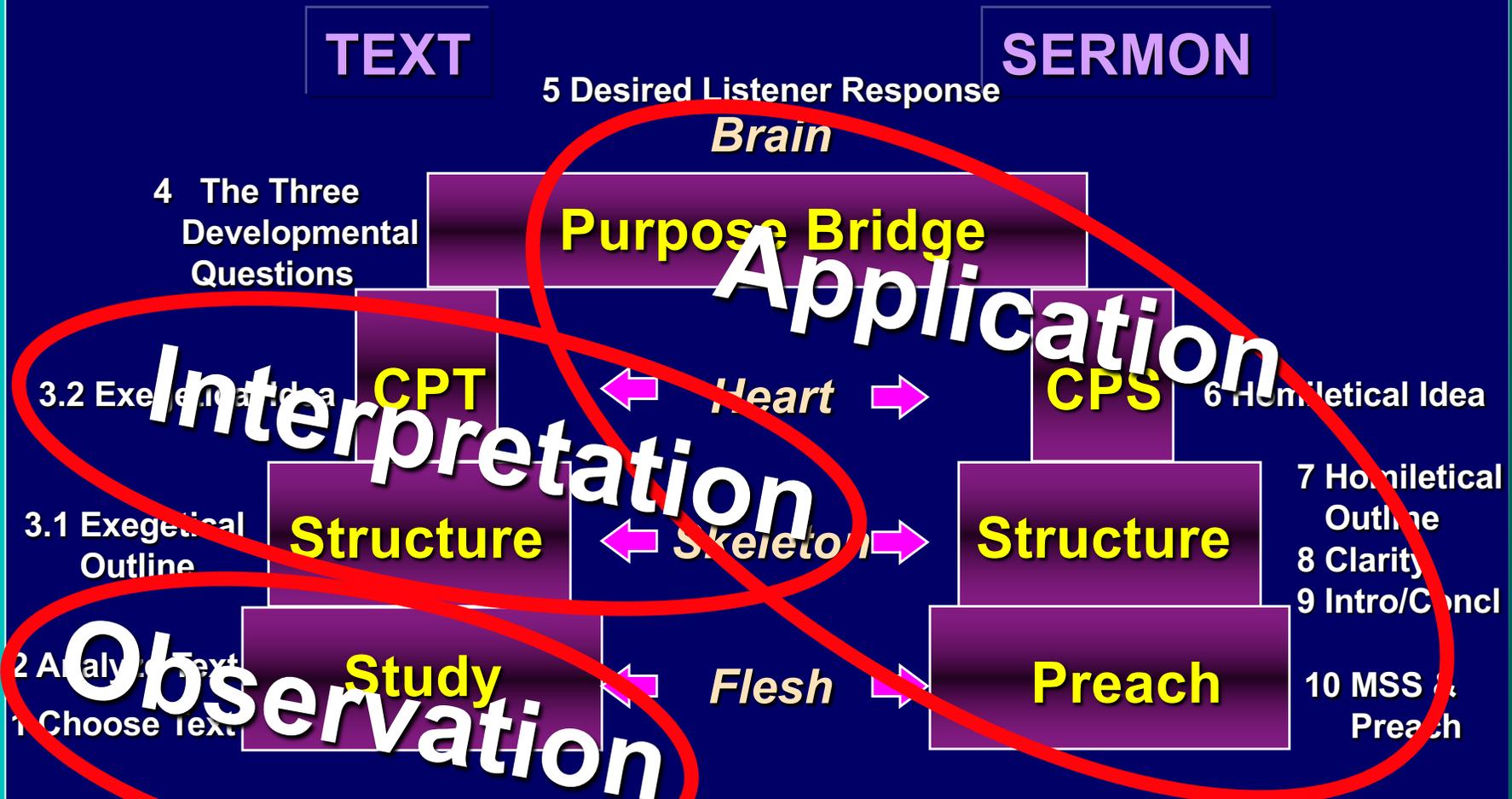


Illustrating to Apply

*Where God's Word
Shows Up in Real Life*

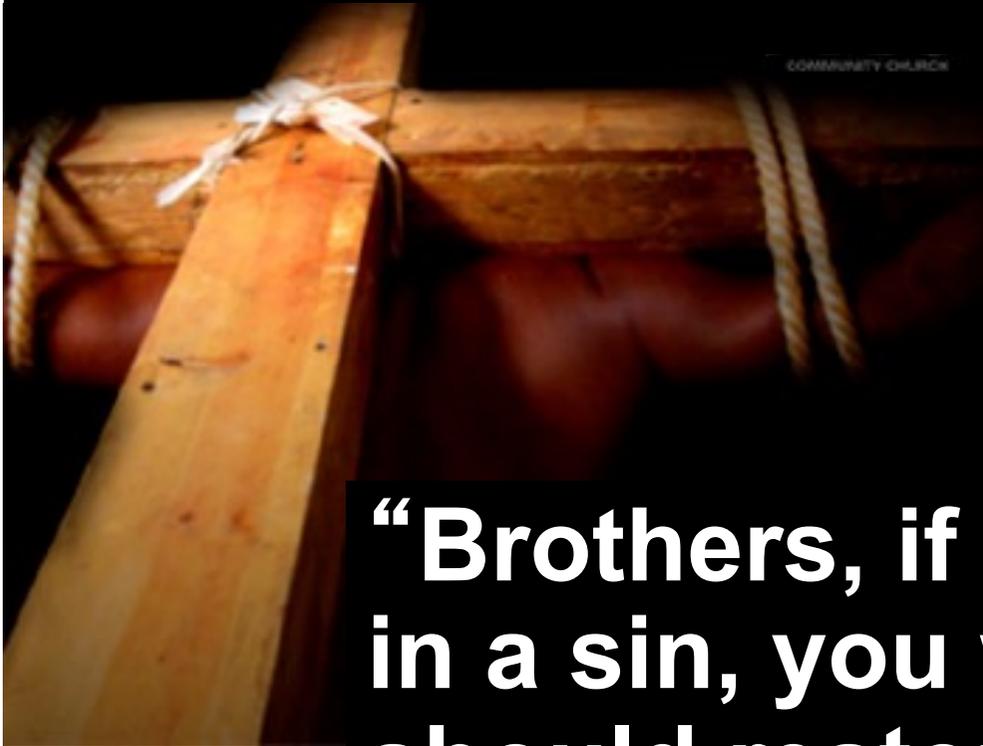
The Preparing Expository Sermons Process

Based on Ramesh Richard's text, *Preparing Expository Sermons*



White text shows 10 steps adapted from Haddon Robinson, *Biblical Preaching* (notes, 105)

Restore People in Sin ⁷²



“Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently, but look to yourselves, or you too will be tempted.”

Galatians 6:1

A. Some illustrations only explain a concept as they come from an **unrelated** area of life.

Restore nets

A large, tangled pile of fishing nets, likely made of natural fibers, with several red floats attached. The nets are piled high, creating a complex, chaotic texture. The floats are round and have a slightly weathered appearance. The overall scene suggests a collection of old or discarded fishing gear.

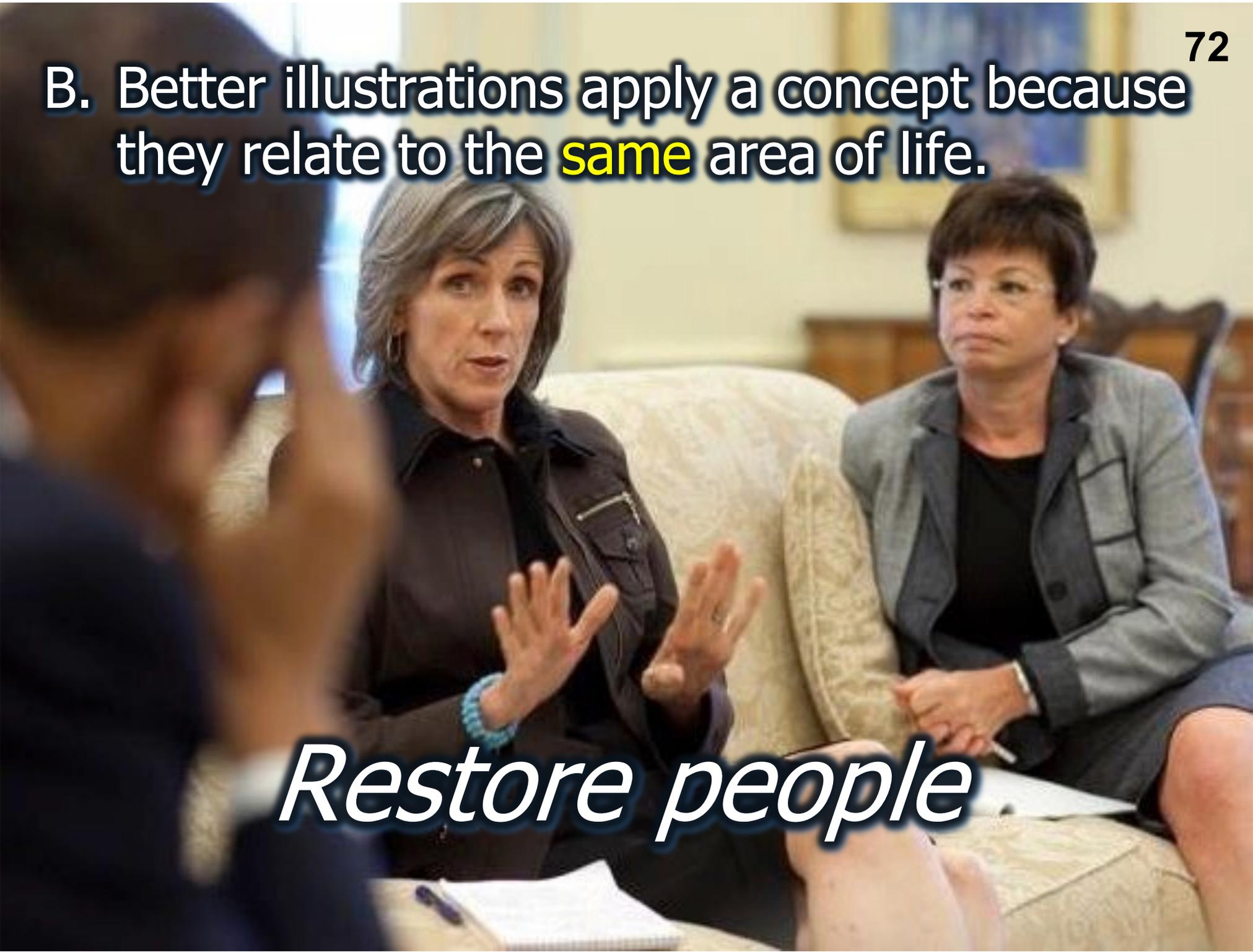
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The monkey & tinsel

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The pastor who fell
"Don't be greedy"

Law of Application: Model

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Resource

Method

Result

“All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work (2 Tim. 3:16-17 NAU)

Doctrine (Teaching)

Correction

Training

Reproof

Belief

Behavior

Adapted from Bruce Wilkinson, *7 Laws of the Learner* (Walk Thru The Bible)

Application Maxims

Maxim 1: Application is the central reason for God's revelation.

Maxim 2: Application is the responsibility of the teacher.

Maxim 3: Application and information should be balanced.

Maxim 4: Application focuses Scripture on students' **needs**.

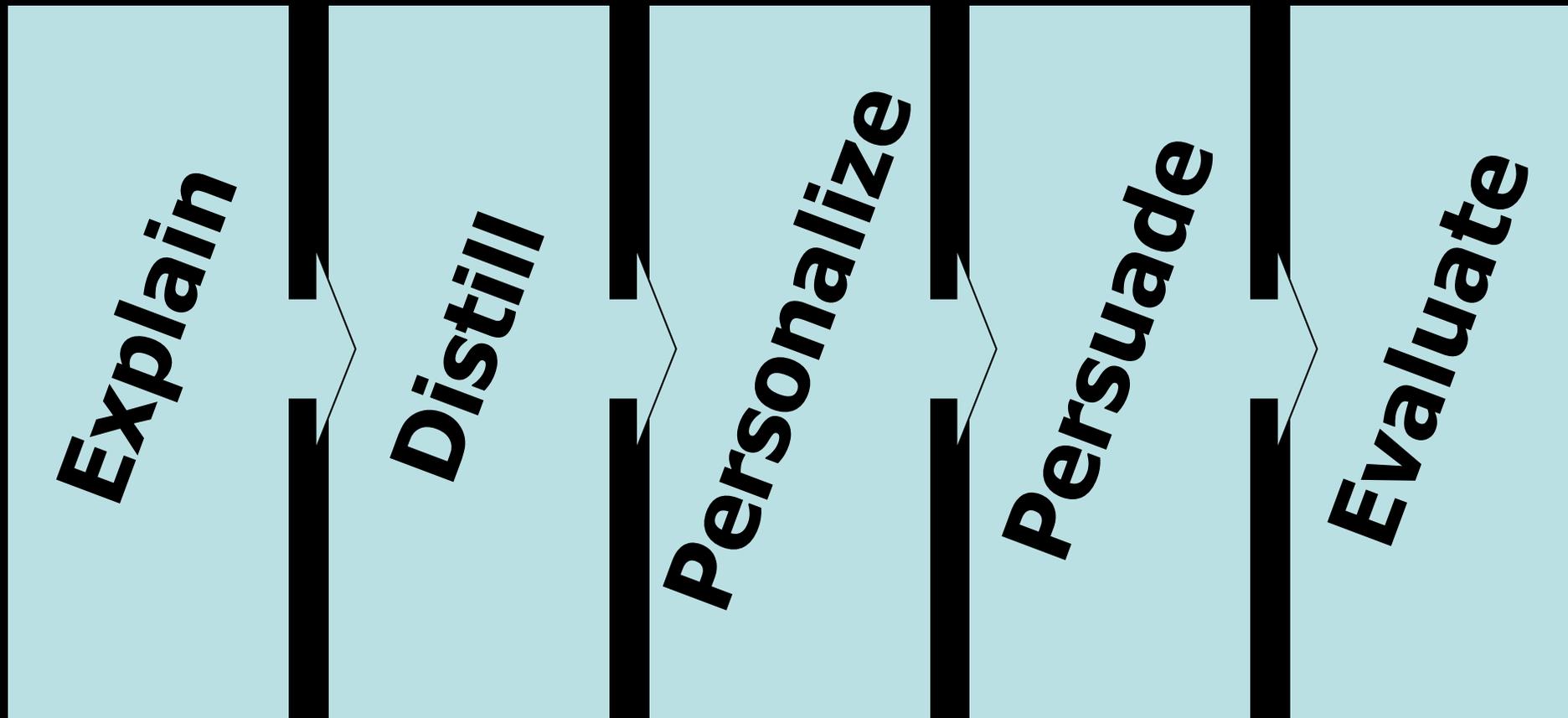
Maxim 5: Application has the maximum influence when the student **sees** its biblical basis

Maxim 6: Application that has impacted the **teacher** tends to impact the student

Maxim 7: Application must ultimately lead the student from studying the Bible to **obeying the Lord**.

Application Method

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Source: Bruce Wilkinson, *7 Laws of the Learner* (Walk Thru The Bible)

Application Maximizers

Maximizer 1: Ask God to develop in you an **applier's** heart.

Maximizer 2: Prepare applications in relation to your students' **needs**.

Maximizer 3: Plan all parts of the lesson to **contribute** to the application.

Maximizer 4: Lead your student beyond general applications to specific steps of obedience.

Maximizer 5: Illustrate the application with Scripture, history, personal experience and **imagination**.

Maximizer 6: Employ an appropriate style when calling for **commitment**.

Maximizer 7: Strengthen application with student **accountability**.

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