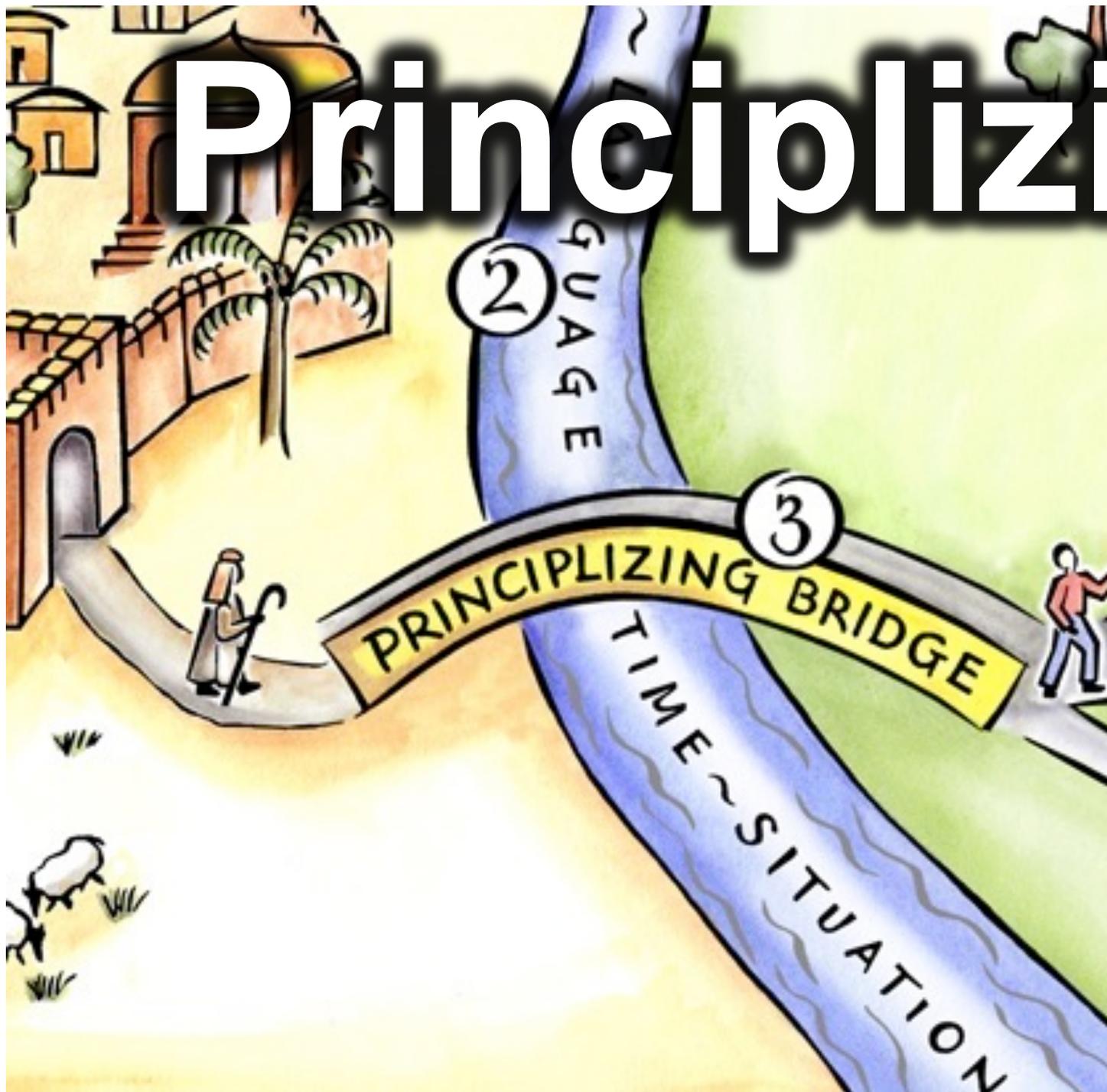


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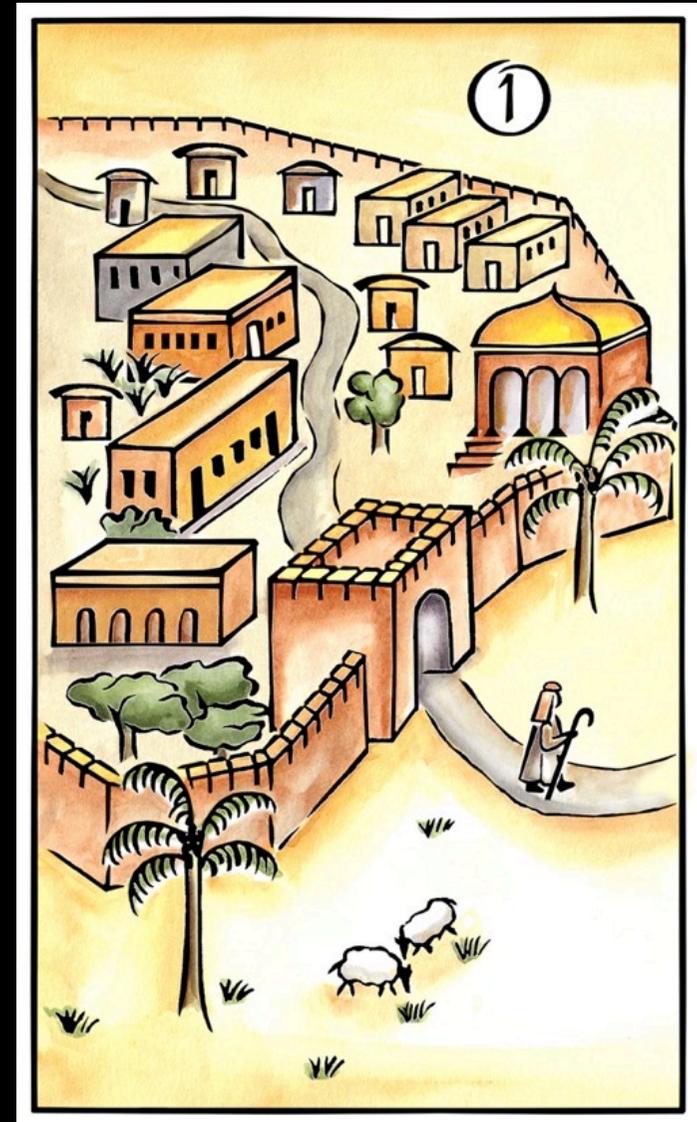


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Step 1: Grasping the Text in Their Town

Question: What did the text mean to the biblical audience?

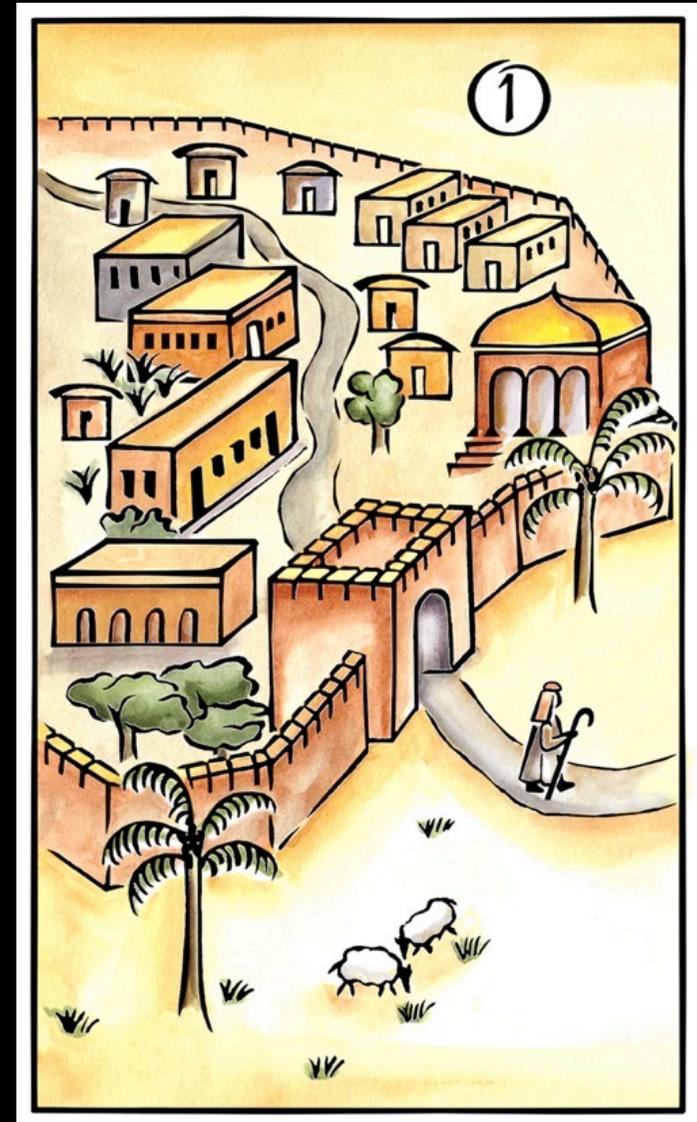


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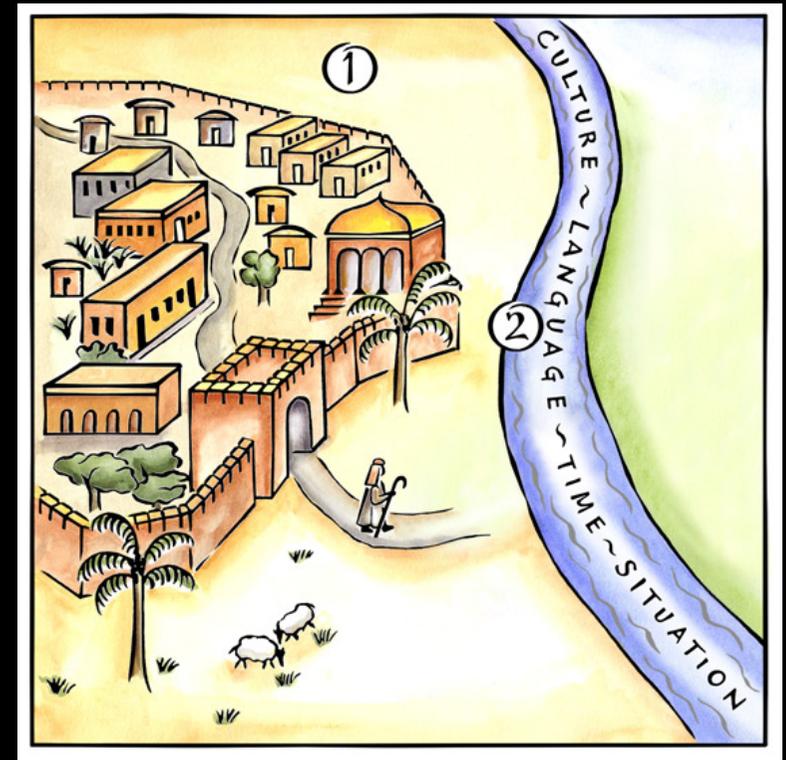
- *Read the text carefully and make **observations**.*
- *Study the historical and literary **context**.*
- *Synthesize the meaning of the passage for the biblical audience.*



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Step 2: Measuring the Width of the River to Cross

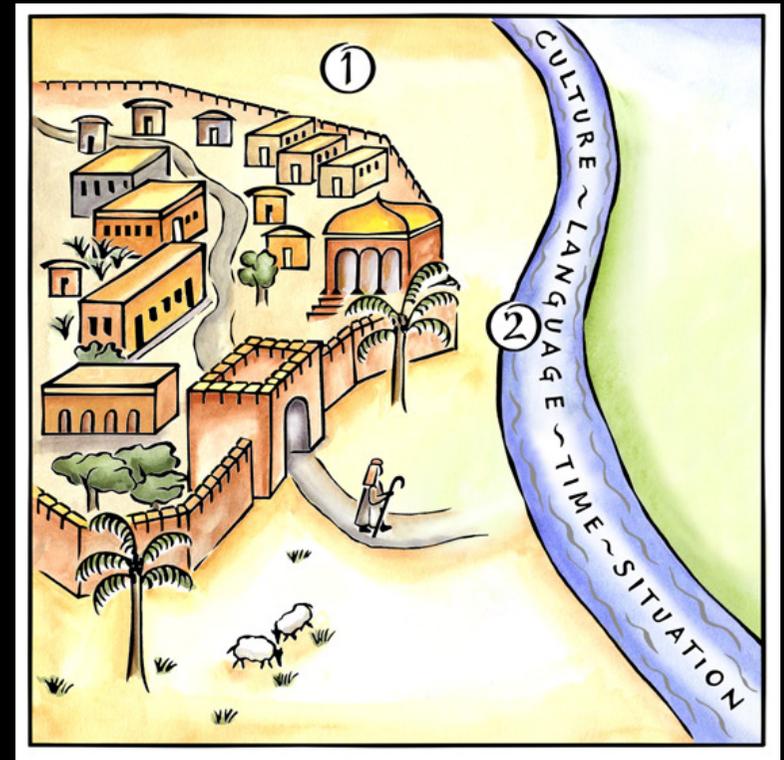
*Question: What are the **differences** between the biblical audience and us?*



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Step 2 River Measurement:

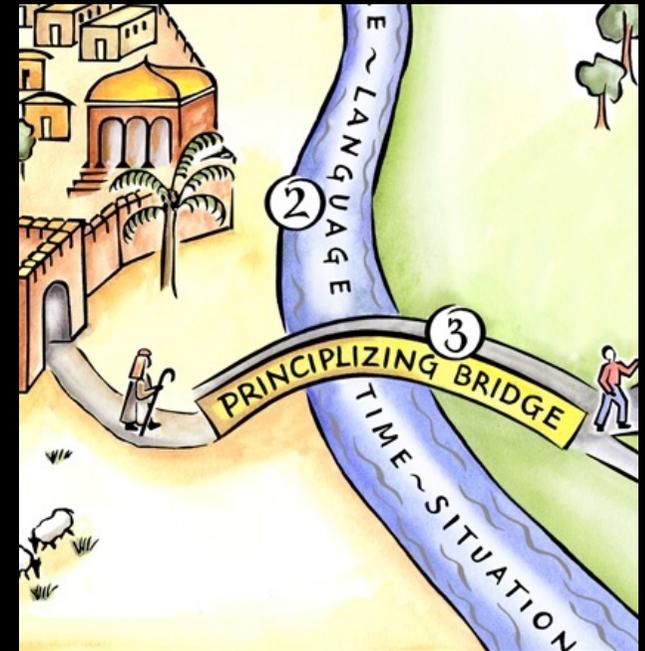
- Account for **common differences**: culture, language situation, time and covenant.
- Focus on the **unique differences** found in a specific text.
- If you are studying an Old Testament passage, you must account for the **life and work of Jesus Christ**.



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Step 3: Crossing the Principlizing Bridge

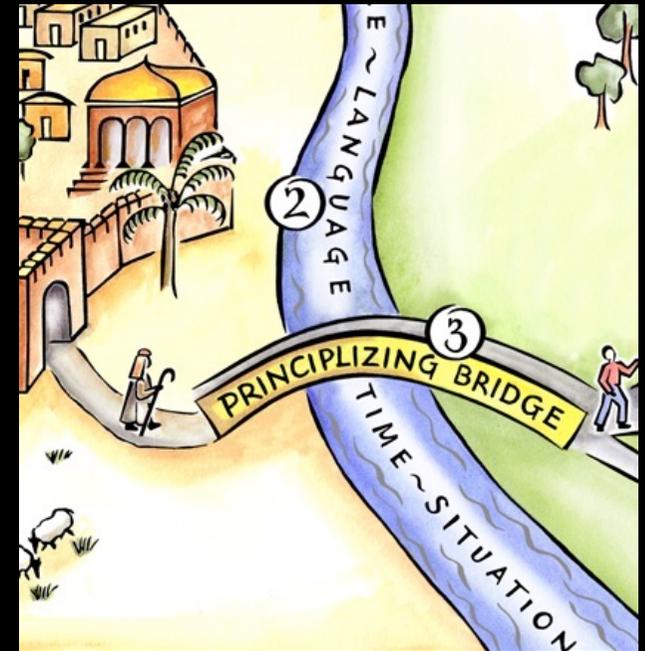
*Question: What is the **theological principle** in this text?*



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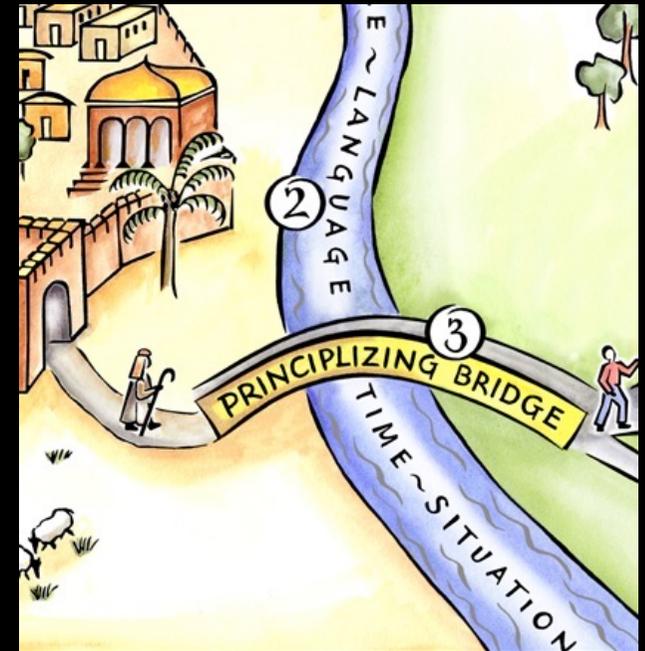
- Recall the *differences* in Step 2.
- Identify *similarities* between the biblical and modern audiences.
- Holding the differences and similarities together, *identify* a broad theological principle.
- *Write out the theological principle*, using present tense verbs.



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A theological principle should...

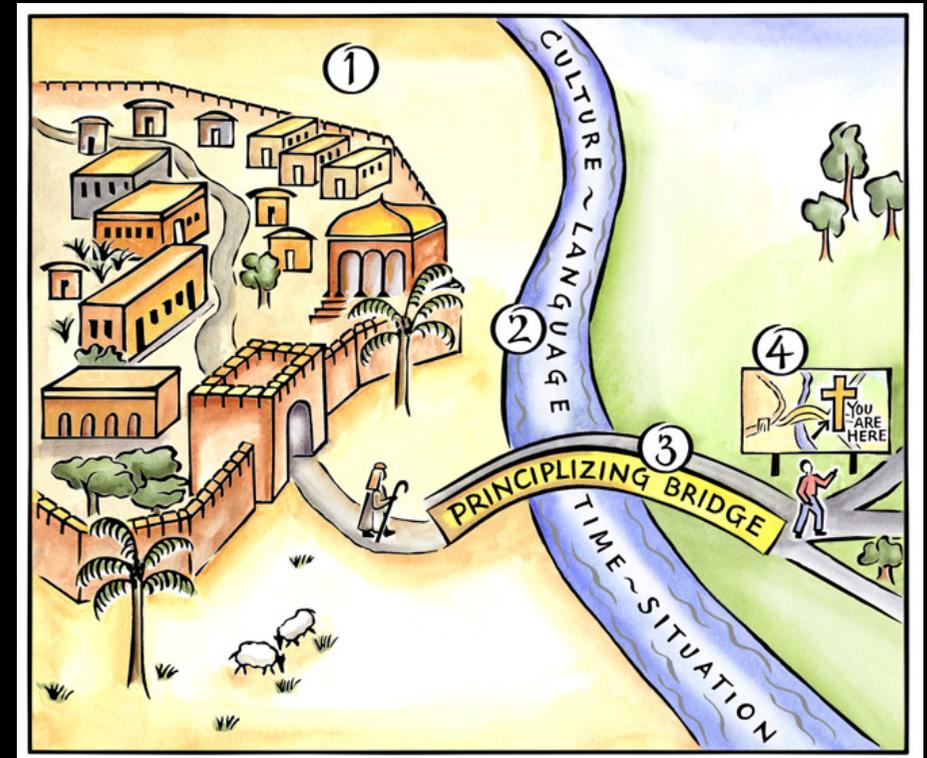
- *be reflected in the text.*
- *be timeless and not tied to a specific situation.*
- *not be culturally bound.*
- *correspond to the teaching of the rest of Scripture.*
- *be relevant to both the biblical and contemporary audience.*



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Step 4: Consult the Biblical Map

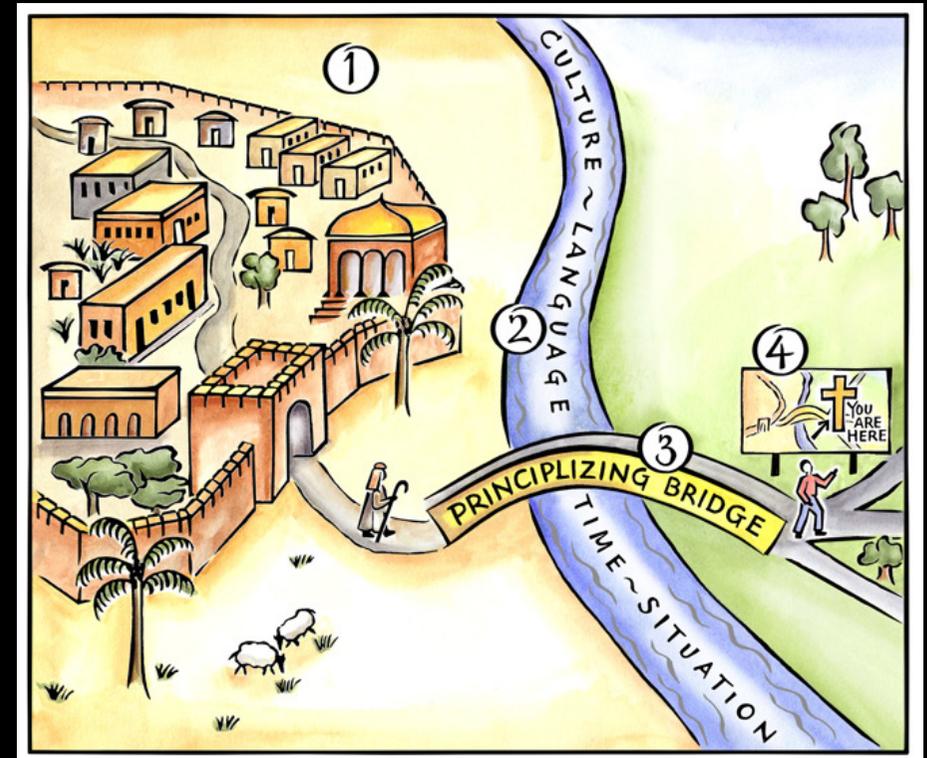
Question: How does our theological principle fit with the rest of the Bible?



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Step 4 Biblical Map:

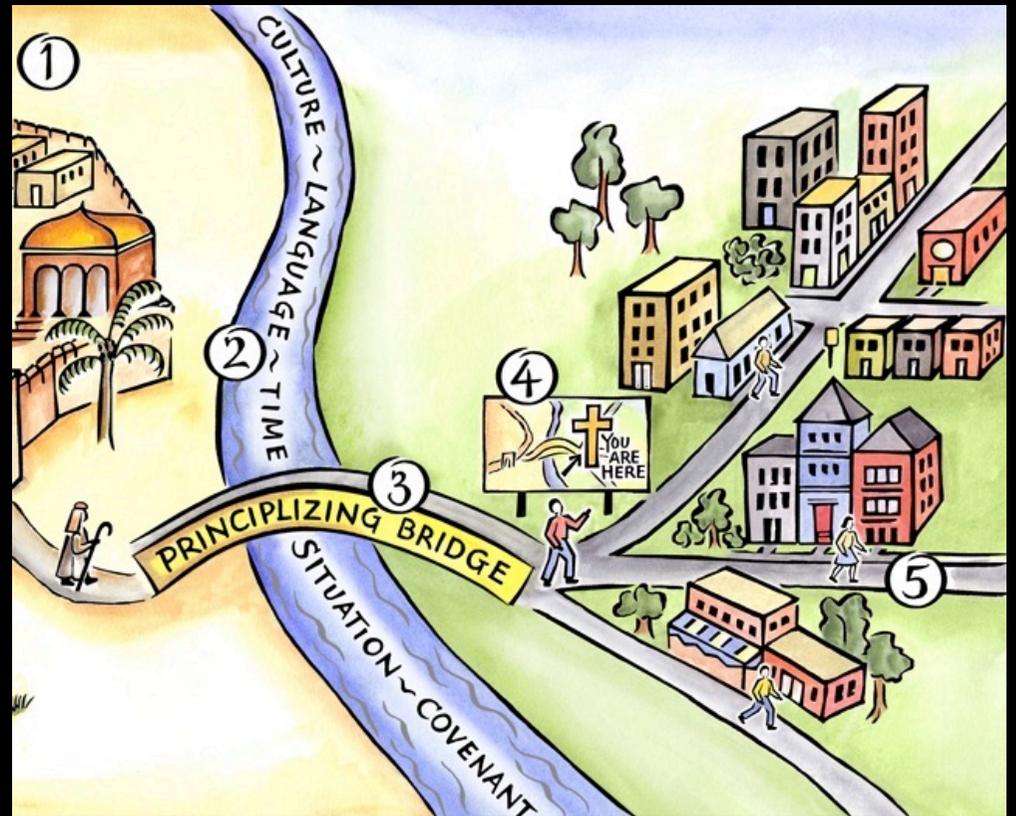
- *Does this principle correlate with the rest of the Bible?*
- *If in the Old Testament, run your theological principle through the grid of the New Testament.*



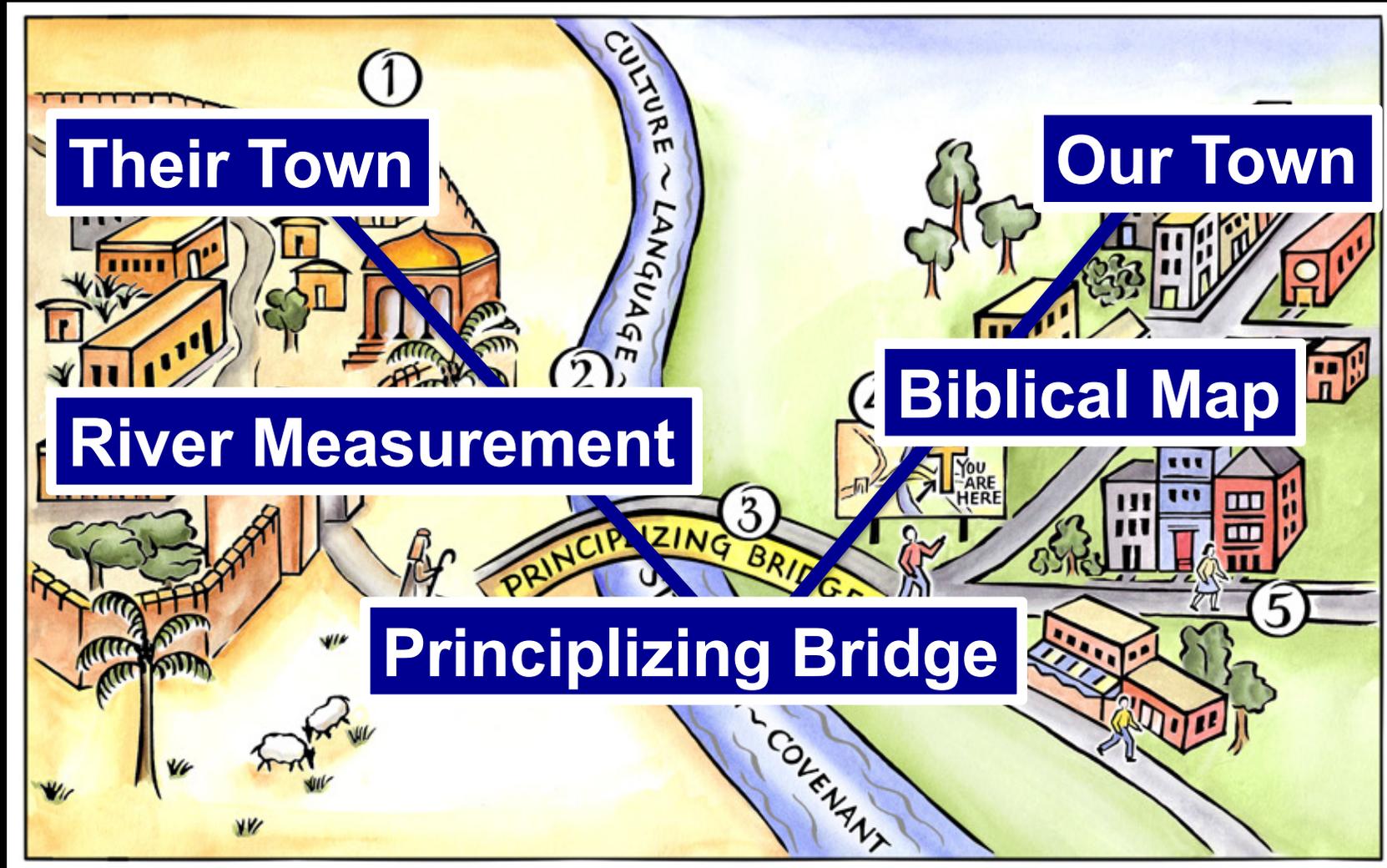
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Step 5: Grasping the Text in Our Town

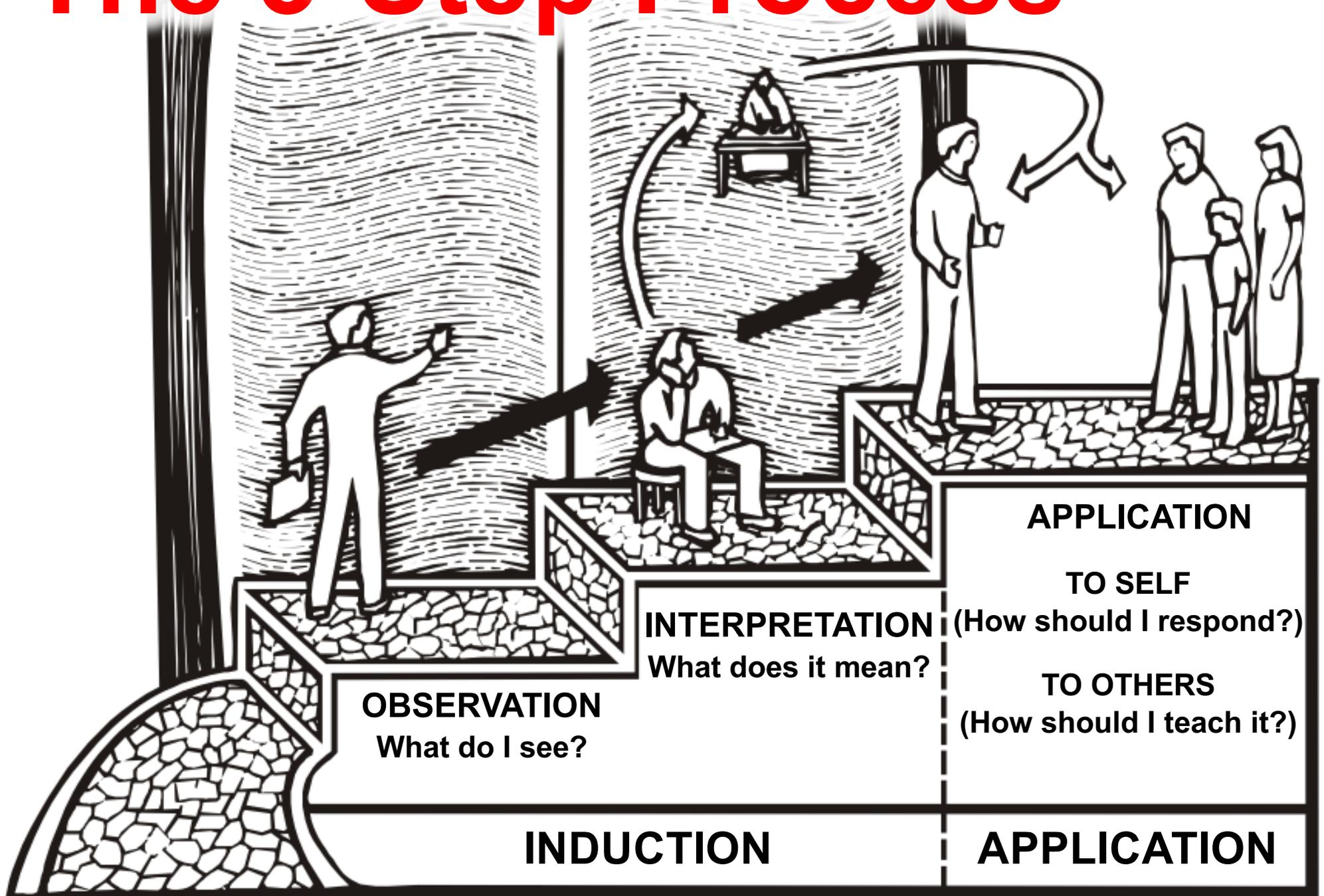
*Question: How should individual Christians today **live out** the theological principles?*



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The 3-Step Process



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Observation

Application

Their Town

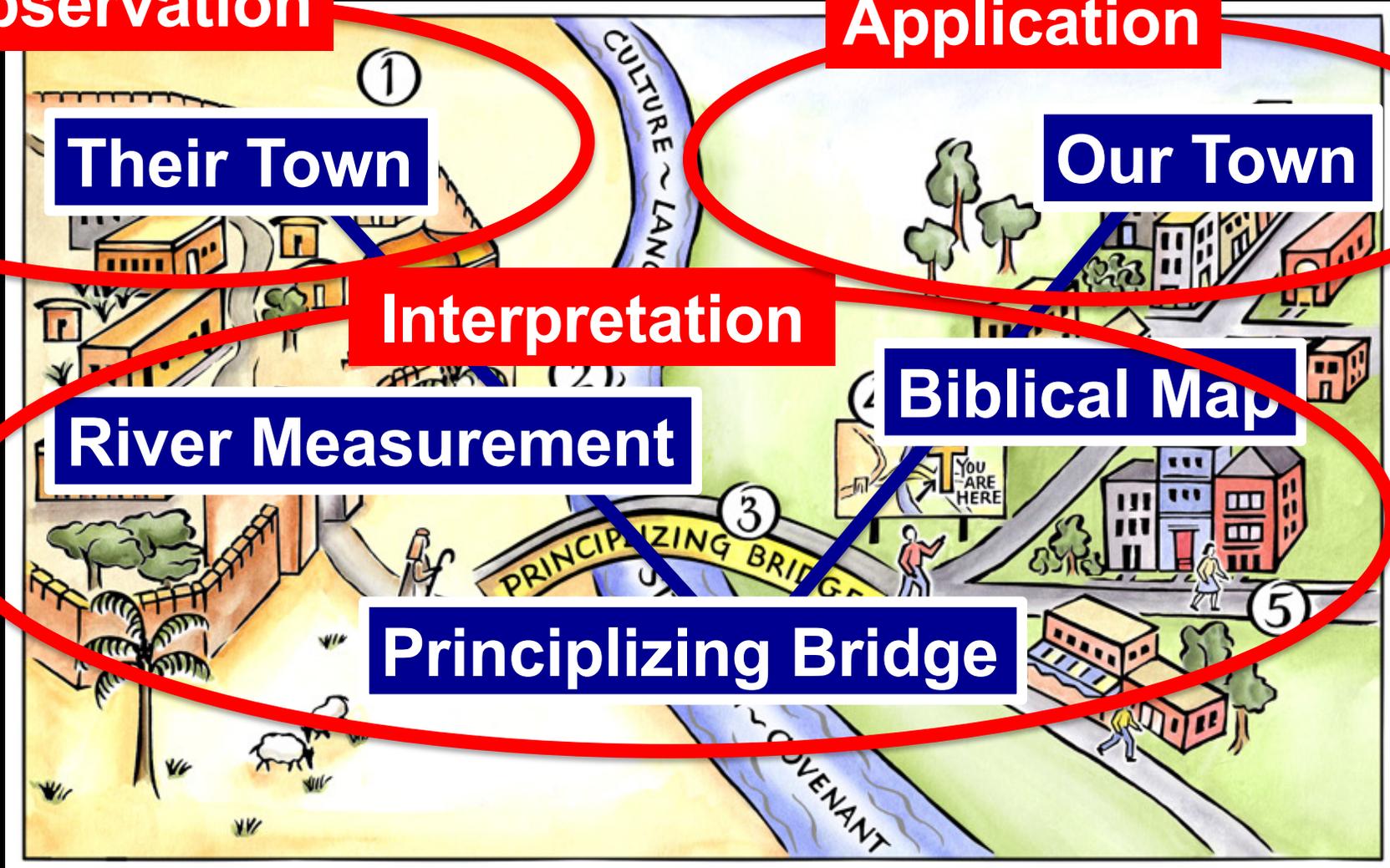
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Interpretation

River Measurement

Biblical Map

Principlizing Bridge



Get the Principle

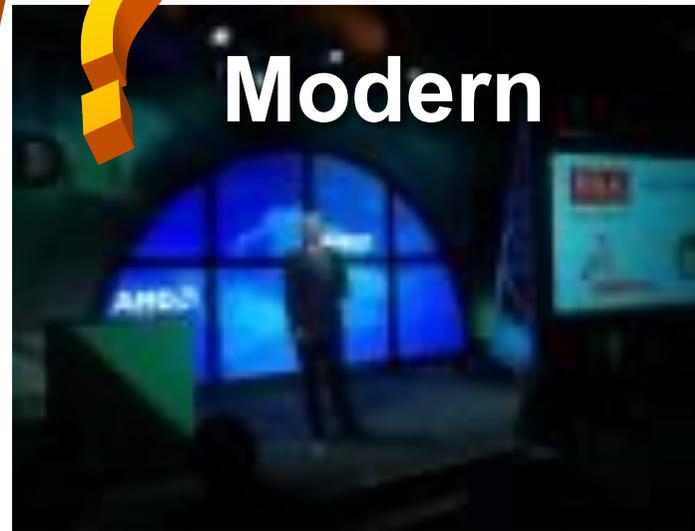
A. Know both cultures well

Ancient



HOW?

Modern



Get the Principle

C. Draw parallels between the passage setting and its modern setting.

12 And again, Esai'as saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.

13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

14 And I myself also have exhorted you, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

15 Nevertheless, I have written the more fully to you in some sort, putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God.

16 That I should be able to minister of Jesus Christ to them that ministering the gospel, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

17 I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which pertain to God.

18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed.

19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jeru-

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whom he was not spoken of, ye shall see: and they that have heard shall understand.

22 For which cause also I have been much hindered from coming to you.

23 But now having no more place in these parts, and having great desire these many years to come unto you,

24 I have sent Titus to you: for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you.

25 But I have sent also my dear friend Erastus to minister unto the saints.

26 For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia, to make a certain contribution for the saints.

27 And their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things.

28 When therefore I have performed this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will come by you into Spain.

29 And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.

30 Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's

sake, of the saints;

That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God, and with you be refreshed.

Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

CHAPTER 16

COMMEND unto you Phēbe,

our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchreae: she hath been a helper of many, as becometh saints, and she hath been a helper of me.

Let ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a helper of me.

Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom I have not only given thanks, but also have published them in Christ Jesus:

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phosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord.

13 Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.

14 Salute Asyn'critus, Phlegon, Hermas, Pat'robas, Hermes, and the brethren which are with them.

15 Salute my sister Julia, and my sister Nympha, and the children which are with them.

16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

17 Now I beseech you, brethren, that ye avoid them which have doctrines contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.

20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

21 Timothy'cus my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sōsip'ater, my kinsmen, salute you.

22 Salute the brethren which are with you.

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