S.O.A.P. METHOD

Do you want to grow deeper in your relationship with the Lord? Here is the bible reading system that I use each day. I use something called the "S.O.A.P" method for writing out devotions. This may take you 15 minutes each day, sometimes less, sometimes a little more. The goal is to have daily encounters with the Lord. Don't be surprised if while in this process of spending time with the Lord, He calls to your mind some other scripture for you to read or brings to mind things you may need to be praying about or repenting of. God's Word is living and active; expect to be challenged and transformed as you dig into scripture.

Scripture! Read through the scripture for the day and write out a verse or a passage that God draws you to. Don't just write down the reference, write down the whole verse. Don't just write down "Matthew 28:19," write out, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Observation! Write about these things: Who was the original audience? Who are they writing about? What were the writing about? What would it have meant to the original hearers of the Word?

Application! Write out how this passage applies to your life today. What did you learn from this passage and how will it impact your faith today?

Prayer! Write out a simple prayer. Ask God to reveal Himself to you in new and real ways, to help you apply what you have studied to your life and to draw closer to Him. These will be different each day and should come from the heart!

That's it! That is how I do my daily quiet time with the Lord. I hope this is beneficial to you, and if so, I would love for you to share it with me! Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for taking the time and having a desire to go deeper in your relationship with the Lord! Hope to see you soon.