

# **Searching the Scriptures for Airdrie Baptist Church, Spring 2022**

## **Overview**

### **MODULE ONE: Foundational Principles**

- First Principle: The Bible and the Centrality of Christ
- Second Principle: The Bible and Spiritual Nourishment
- Third Principle: The Bible and Careful Preparation

### **MODULE TWO: Observation—Think like a Detective**

- • Words: Work with the Words in Your Text
- • Sentences: Work with the Sentences in Your Text
- • Atmosphere and Mood: Work with the Atmosphere and Mood in Your Text
- • Structures: Work with the Structures in Your Text

### **MODULE THREE: Interpretation—Think like an Archaeologist**

- • Language: Access to Meaning Is in the Text Itself
- • Genre: Different Writings Call for Different Kinds of Interpretation
- • Culture: Different Societies Understand Things Differently

### **MODULE FOUR: Correlation—Think like a Puzzle Master**

- • Guideline One: Using the Bible to Explain the Bible
- • Guideline Two: Using the Easy to Explain the Difficult
- • Guideline Three: Cutting a Clearing to the Truth
- • The Goal of Correlation: Discern the Truth That Is Always True

### **MODULE FIVE: Application—Think like a Parent**

- • Step One: Move toward the Right Application
- • Step Two: Settle on the Right Application
- • Step Three: Communicate the Right Application

### **MODULE SIX: Sermon and Lesson Preparation—Think like a Preacher**

- • The Teaching of Jesus: Principles from the Parable of the Soils—Mark 4:1–20
- • The Teaching of Paul: Principles from Paul’s Speech on Mars Hill—Acts 17:22–31
- • How to Communicate Well: Practical Thoughts on Persuasive Preaching