## **Week 4: APPLICATION**

In the fourth and final session, we'll focus on the *application of Scripture*.

- Application is the use or practice of God's Word in personal or corporate church life.
  - Tim Challies discusses 3 important aspects of application of the Word of God:
    - *The Head. The Heart. The Hands.*
    - <u>The Head</u> is allowing the Word to shape our minds. Application in this sector can look like:
      - What does this passage teach me about God's nature?
      - How does this passage bring me to a greater view of God?
      - Is there a truth here to believe about God?
      - Is there a truth here to believe about another doctrine?
      - Is there wisdom to shape Christian thinking?
      - What does this text tell us to believe?
      - Is there an attitude to change?
      - Is there a warning to heed?
    - *The Heart* is allowing the Word to shape our affections.
      - What does this passage tell me to feel?
      - What does this passage tell me to love?
      - What does this passage tell me to hate?
      - Is there a promise to trust?
    - *The Hands* is allowing the Word to shape our actions
      - Do I have sin that needs to be confessed?
      - Is there an explicit command that I need to follow?
      - Is there an example that I need to follow?
      - How can I advance God's kingdom based upon this passage?
- We must remember everything we do is a response, in faith, to what God has already done.
- Activity: Read, interpret, and draw application from John 3:16-18.

May we be fully equipped to dive into the ocean of all-satisfying truth of the Bible revealed by the One for whom we were made!