

## Instructional Design – Notes to Start Biblical Analysis

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I. Designing something is **experience in working in the design aspects of the image of God**, in which we are made.

Genesis 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our **image**, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Genesis 1:27 So God created man in his *own image*, in the **image** of God created he him; male and female created he them.

II. Planning is being diligent and God rewards diligence.

Prov 10:4 ¶ He becometh poor that dealeth *with* a slack hand: but **the hand of the diligent maketh rich.**  
5 ¶ He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son: *but* he that sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that causeth shame.

6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a **rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**

III. Examples of God's Instructional Design

- The world, the plan of salvation, heaven...everything we know about ahead of time is planned, sovereignty of God – all things working out according to the council of His own will, his plan.
- 723 example of design via Barnes Notes. Matt 5:18 *Till heaven and earth pass.* This expression denotes that the law *never should be destroyed* till it should be all fulfilled. It is the same as saying, everything else may change—the very earth and heaven may pass away—but **the law of God shall not be destroyed, till its whole design shall be accomplished.**

IV. Instructional Design is Naturally Done by Teachers and is a skill to be developed and benefits from more than one head.

V. Worldviews in Instructional Design  
- modern, postmodern, comparative...

VI. Normative Design Principles Apply

- Cultural appropriateness, openness and communication, stewardship, delightful harmony, justice, caring, trust. Derived from the moral aspects of Scriptures summarized in the two great commandments, love the Lord...and your neighbor.
- Normative means that technology is a human activity and therefore has moral implications.

VII. Looking to the Bible, Concordance, and Dictionary (done first, but too distracting as I. in the outline)

Instruction = 04148 מוּסַר muwcar *moo-sawr'*

from 03256; TWOT-877b; n m

AV-instruction 30, correction 8, chasten 4, chastisement 3, check 1, bond 1, discipline 1, doctrine 1, rebuker 1; 50

1) discipline, chastening, correction

1a) discipline, correction

1b) chastening

Proverbs 4:13 Take fast hold of **instruction**; let *her* not go: keep her; for she *is* thy life.

Proverbs 6:23 For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of **instruction** *are* the way of life:

Proverbs 8:10 Receive my **instruction**, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

Proverbs 8:33 Hear **instruction**, and be wise, and refuse it not.

Proverbs 9:9 Give instruction to a wise *man*, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just *man*, and he will increase in learning.  
 Proverbs 10:17 He *is in* the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.  
 Proverbs 12:1 Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof *is* brutish.  
 Proverbs 23:12 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.  
 Proverbs 23:23 Buy the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Instruction = 3809 παιδεία paideia *pahee-di'-ah*

from 3811; TDNT-5:596,753; n f

AV-chastening 3, nurture 1, instruction 1, chastisement 1; 6

- 1) the whole training and education of children (which relates to the cultivation of mind and morals, and employs for this purpose now commands and admonitions, now reproof and punishment) It also includes the training and care of the body
- 2) whatever in adults also cultivates the soul, esp. by correcting mistakes and curbing passions.
  - 2a) instruction which aims at increasing virtue
  - 2b) chastisement, chastening, (of the evils with which God visits men for their amendment)

**INSTRUC'TION (1828)**, n. [L. instructio.]

1. The act of teaching or informing the understanding in that of which it was before ignorant; information.
2. Precepts conveying knowledge. Receive my instruction and not silver. Prov.8.
3. Direction; order; command; mandate. The minister received instructions from his sovereign to demand a categorical answer.

**DESIGN (1828)**, v.t.[L. To seal or stamp, that is, to set or throw.]

1. To delineate a form or figure by drawing the outline; to sketch; as in painting and other works of art.
2. **To plan; to form an outline or representation of any thing.** Hence,
3. To project; to form in idea, as a scheme. Hence,
4. To purpose or intend; as, a man designs to write an essay, or to study law.
5. To mark out by tokens.
6. To intend to apply or appropriate; with for; as, we design this ground for a garden, and that for a park. **The word design may include an adapting or planning a thing for a purpose, or mere intention or scheme of the mind, which implies a plan.** The father designs his son for the profession of the law, or for the ministry. It was formerly followed by to, but this use is now uncommon.