

## Phrasing Pointers and Examples

- Aim: Visualize passage structure
- Method:
  - Main clause to the left
  - Other phrases to the right
  - Place subordinate elements under the word they are associated with.
  - Keep parallel elements parallel
- Comfort: There is not necessarily a single right way to divide things up, do what helps you see the structure!

### Phrasing Examples

Matthew 28:18-20 ( In this example italics denote the main clauses, while participles are in regular type.)

*All authority*  
*in heaven and*  
*on earth*  
*has been given to me.*  
Go therefore and  
*make disciples of all nations,*  
baptizing them in the name of  
the Father and  
of the Son and  
of the Holy Spirit,  
teaching them to observe all  
that I have commanded you.  
*And behold,*  
*I am with you always,*  
*to the end of the age.*

2 Peter 2:1-11

<sup>2</sup>May grace and peace be multiplied to you  
in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.  
<sup>3</sup>His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness,  
through the knowledge of him who called us to<sup>3</sup>  
his own glory and excellence,<sup>4</sup>  
<sup>4</sup>by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises,  
so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature,

having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

<sup>5</sup>For this very reason, make every effort to  
supplement your faith with virtue,<sup>5</sup>  
and virtue with knowledge,  
<sup>6</sup>and knowledge with self-control,  
and self-control with steadfastness,  
and steadfastness with godliness,  
<sup>7</sup>and godliness with brotherly affection,  
and brotherly affection with love.

<sup>8</sup>For if these qualities<sup>6</sup> are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful  
in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>9</sup>For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind,  
having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

<sup>10</sup>Therefore, brothers,<sup>7</sup> be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election,  
for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.

<sup>11</sup>For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance  
into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers,  
by the mercies of God,  
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice,  
holy and acceptable to God,  
which is your spiritual worship  
Do not be conformed to this world,  
but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,  
that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is  
good and  
acceptable and  
perfect.