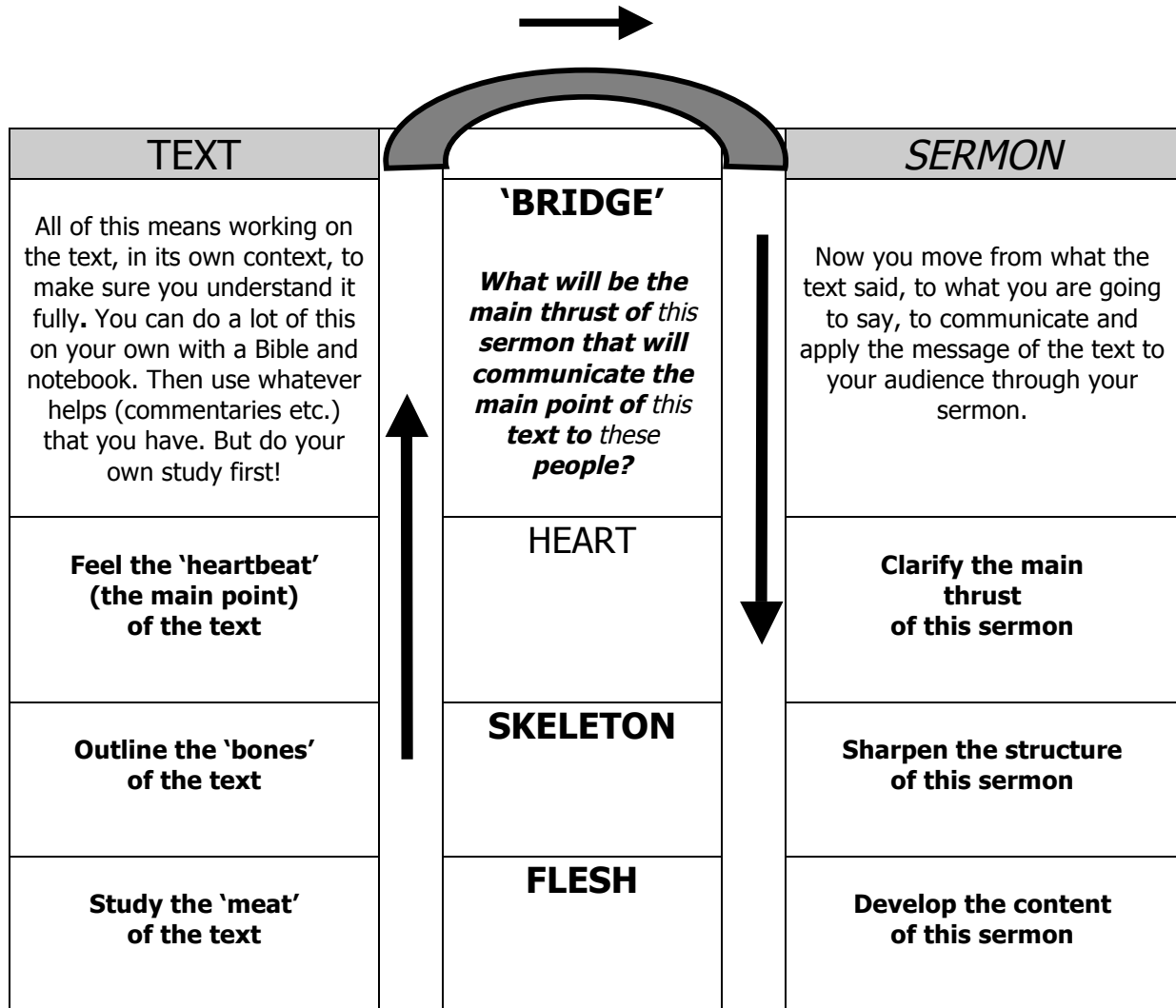


**Langham Preaching
Paper 1: 'From Text to Sermon'**

Passage: _____



START – study the text

FINISH – preach the sermon!

Indebted to Ramesh Richard : *Scripture Sculpture* (Baker)

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Paper 2: Studying a Bible passage

Bible passage: _____

1. Understanding the passage in context		
Kind of literature	Historical context (author, situation, people)	Editorial context (what comes before and after)
2. Understanding the passage in detail (exegesis)		
Key words, emphases, contrasts, links...etc FLESH	Outline structure and flow of thought SKELETON	Main theme, main point of the author HEART
3. Understanding the passage in relation to the whole Bible : connections with other Bible passages and teaching		

**Langham Preaching
Paper 3: Side A & Side B**

SIDE A: THE HEARTBEAT AND OUTLINE OF THE PASSAGE

Bible reference: _____

Written/spoke by _____

to _____

The Outline of the Passage

What are the main sections of the passage? In each section, what is the writer saying to the readers at the time? Use full sentences in past tense. (There may not be 4 main sections – there could be less. Only sometimes would there be more.)

1. (vs _____)

2. (vs _____)

3. (vs _____)

4. (vs _____)

The Heartbeat of the Passage

Sum up what the writer was saying to the listeners at the time in one sentence. Try to make the sentence as clear, concise and complete as possible. It should be past tense and include the name of the writer and original hearers.

SIDE B: THE HEARTBEAT AND OUTLINE OF YOUR SERMON

Bible reference: _____

Your audience: _____

The Heartbeat of your Sermon

What are you going to say to your listeners? Write one sentence that is clear, concise and complete. It should be present tense with personal pronouns (I, we,...).

The Outline of your Sermon

What are the main sections of your sermon? In each section, what will you say to your listeners? Each section should link clearly to the heartbeat sentence. Use full sentences in present tense. For each section have brief, memorable headings. It is good, if possible, for these to reflect something of your heartbeat. (As on side A, there may not be 4 sections – you might have less.)

SIMPLICITY is important, so try to avoid having too many sub-points.

1. (vs _____)

2. (vs _____)

3. (vs _____)

4. (vs _____)

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Paper 4: Working on a Sermon Outline

Text: _____

Summarise the 'heartbeat' of the passage, the main point of your message (this should also affect your introduction and conclusion)

Verses:	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3
What is the link with the main theme?			
What must I explain?			
What other Bible references, if needed?			
What examples could I give?			
What application should I bring?			