

WORKSHOPS ON BIBLICAL EXPOSITION
SMALL GROUP PREPARATION WORKSHEET

Name: _____

Passage: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: In your small group, you will have **5 minutes** to present on each of your passages. For each of your assigned passages, please respond to the questions below and provide **10 copies of this one-page handout** (front and back, preferably typed) that will assist your group in offering productive feedback. If you do not understand any of these questions, please visit simeontrust.org/prepare/ to find additional information.

1. What is the **author's structure** of this passage? Please a) show *sections with verse references*, b) state the *author's emphasis*, and c) explain what *strategies* you used to see this structure.

2. How does the **context inform the meaning** of this passage? Answer this question using a) the *literary context* (the passages on either side), b) the *historical context* (circumstances and culture of the audience), and c) the *biblical context* (connections to other places in the Bible).

3. In light of the emphasis of this passage in its context, state the **author's main idea** for *his audience* (in one short sentence).

4. What parts of this passage **connect to the gospel** of Jesus Christ? What *particular facet of the gospel* is in view?

5. In light of your gospel connection, what **argument** (one short sentence) will you make to **your audience**? What **applications** from this argument will you make for the believer? The unbeliever?

6. What is your **preaching outline**?