

Inductive Bible Study

INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY IS THE PROCESS OF LETTING THE BIBLE INTERPRET THE BIBLE

There are many ways in which people study the Bible. Often times we get into the Word with a preconceived notion. Too often, we can skip through scriptures, picking and choosing what we want in order to prove our point and make the Bible say what we want it to say. When we do this, we do ourselves a disservice, because we are not allowing the Bible to speak for itself. Inductive Bible study is a process of studying the Bible in context, deriving principle facts, coming to a conclusion, and hopefully being driven into action based on that conclusion. This worksheet provides us with the basic principles of the Inductive Bible Study Method.



2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

THE BASICS

Read & Re-Read: Read the passage and let it soak in, then re-read the passage digging in.

Identify: Identify whether the passage is an event recounted, instruction, poetry, parable, or prophecy.

Observe: Pull out the basic facts of the passage, using the words from the passage itself.

What lessons are being taught:

What is the main point of the passage?
What does God want you to learn from the passage?

Cross References: What does the rest of Scripture have to say about the lessons that are taught in the passage.

How does the passage affect

you: Ask yourself where you are at with the lessons that are taught from the passage. Be honest with yourself.

Personal Response: Pray and seek the Lord regarding how He would want you to implement the things He has shown you in your daily life.

ASK YOURSELF

Narrative:

Who: who is talking to whom

What: Topic, Theme

When: Day, Time, Events

Where:

How:

Instructional:

Comparisons

Contrasts

Transition words (therefore, in order, that, because, for, since)

General:

Is there something that I see others doing that I should or should not do?

Is there a command to keep or promise made?

Is there a warning to heed or example to follow?

What do I see about God's character?

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IDENTIFY :

OBSERVE:

MAIN POINT & KEY VERSE:

CROSS REFERENCES:

WORDS THAT NEED DEFINING:

HOW DOES THE PASSAGE AFFECT YOU & HOW DOES GOD WANT YOU TO IMPLEMENT THE LESSONS HE HAS SHOWN YOU: