

"The wise don't just read their Bible; they let their Bible read them."

INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY METHOD

1. Consider the Context

- Who is writing or speaking and to whom?
- What is the passage about?
- When does this take place?
- Where does this take place?
- Why does the author write what he does?
- What problems were the recipients facing? How does the text help?
- How does this passage fit in with the context? (What goes before and after?)

2. Observe the passage by asking questions

- What are the commands?
- What are the promises?
- What are the cause/effect relationships?
- What are the repeated words and ideas?
- What do I learn about God?
- What do I learn about Jesus?
- What do I learn about the Holy Spirit?
- What do I learn about myself (or mankind)?
- Write out any additional observations including contrasts, lists, comparisons, etc.

3. What is the 'big idea' of the passage?

This can most readily be identified from the commands and the repeated words and ideas. Often there will be one instruction in the passage from which the rest flows. Try to sum up the main thought of the passage in a single phrase. What's the key verse?

4. Application

2 Timothy 3:16: *"All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for ..."*

- Teaching: What did I learn?
- Reproof: Where do I fall short? Why do I fall short?
- Correction: What will I do about it?
- Training in righteousness: How can I make this principle a consistent part of my life?

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BIBLE READING PLAN January 2017

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Psalm 119:130 (AMP)

The entrance and unfolding of Your words give light; their unfolding gives understanding (discernment and comprehension) to the simple.

Dear Church

Our commitment to you, as expressed in our Mission Statement is to help you 'Meet with God, Walk with God and Serve God.'

Walking with God is your weekly journey with the Lord ... as you build on what He's doing in your life, feed on His Word in your personal devotions and dialogue with the Holy Spirit through the affairs and challenges of life.

This Bible Reading Plan is designed to provide direction and inspiration for that personal walk. We are well-aware that some structure really helps. And one of the things we can easily do is provide that for you ... if you choose you use it.

Dave Charlton has put together this latest collection of readings. This month concludes a two month walk through the book of Genesis. If you didn't already watch it last month, there's a video to give you some helpful background.

I hope you find it stimulating, helpful and faith-building.

Happy reading!

Jamie Gx

INTRODUCTION

Genesis is packed! Lots of mini stories going on, but as the recommended videos show there is an over-arching narrative that we mustn't miss.

Notice the 'hidden' theme of Judah's transformation in the Joseph narrative from chapter 37. Watch how Judah starts off selfish and a ringleader, and by the latter chapters is selfless and puts himself on the line for his family.

RECOMMENDED VIDEOS:

Genesis part 2 (8 minutes) - <https://youtu.be/F4isSyennFo>

Sun Jan 1	Gen 26:1-11	God's promise to Isaac and Isaac's deception
Mon Jan 2	Gen 26:12-25	Conflict over water rights
Tue Jan 3	Gen 26:26-27:40	Covenant with Abimelech and Isaac gives Jacob his blessing
Wed Jan 4	Gen 27:41-28:9	Jacob runs away to Laban
Thu Jan 5	Gen 28:10-29:14	Jacob's dream and he arrives at Paddan Aram
Fri Jan 6	Gen 29:15-30	Jacob marries Leah and Rachel
Sat Jan 7	Gen 29:31-30:43	Jacob's children and Jacob's prosperity
Sun Jan 8	Gen 31:1-21	Jacob runs away from Laban
Mon Jan 9	Gen 31:22-32:2	Laban chases Jacob
Tue Jan 10	Gen 32:3-21	Jacob fears Esau
Wed Jan 11	Gen 32:22-33:20	Jacob wrestles with God and Jacob meets Esau
Thu Jan 12	Gen 34	The defiling of Dinah
Fri Jan 13	Gen 35	God blesses and renames Jacob and the deaths of Rachel and Isaac
Sat Jan 14	Gen 36:1-19	Esau's family

Sun Jan 15	Gen 36:20-43	Leaders of Seir's descendants
Mon Jan 16	Gen 37:1-17	Joseph's dream
Tue Jan 17	Gen 37:18-38:30	The plot against Joseph and Judah and Tamar
Wed Jan 18	Gen 39:1-18	Joseph's success in Egypt
Thu Jan 19	Gen 39:19-40:23	Joseph in prison and then interprets two prisoners' dreams
Fri Jan 20	Gen 41:1-36	Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dreams
Sat Jan 21	Gen 41:37-42:38	Joseph rises to power and his brothers go to Egypt
Sun Jan 22	Gen 43:1-18	The brothers return to Egypt
Mon Jan 23	Gen 43:19-44:17	A feast at Joseph's palace and Joseph's final test
Tue Jan 24	Gen 44:18-34	Judah's plea for Benjamin
Wed Jan 25	Gen 45	Joseph provides for his brothers and family
Thu Jan 26	Gen 46:1-27	Joseph brings his family to Egypt
Fri Jan 27	Gen 46:28-47:12	Jacob settles in Goshen
Sat Jan 28	Gen 47:13-31	Joseph and the famine
Sun Jan 29	Gen 48:1-49:28	Jacob blesses Ephraim and Manasseh and Jacob's sons
Mon Jan 30	Gen 49:29-50:13	Jacob's death and burial
Tue Jan 31	Gen 50:14-26	Joseph reassures his brothers