

"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?

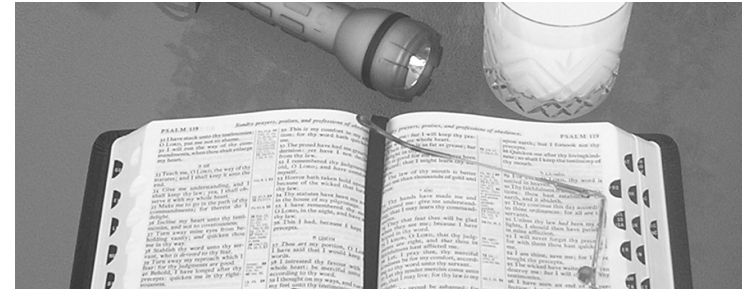
4. Application

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?

BIBLE READING PLAN June 2016

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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 once again kindly put together this latest collection of readings. Each week has a theme, tied in with our desire to meet with, walk with and serve God.

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

Happy reading!

James Gx

Paul's letter to the church in Rome

Paul writes this letter during his third missionary journey (Acts 18:23, Acts 20:3) and writes it during his time in Macedonia. The Roman Emperor Claudius had expelled the Jews (and Jewish Christians) from Rome in the AD40s and they were starting to trickle back to a gentile 'heavy' church. There was therefore tension between the Jewish Christians and the gentile Christians.

OPTIONAL VIDEOS:

Mon May 30: The Bible Project Romans 1-4 (8 mins):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KrQ1ZwUIPU>

Wed Jun 8: The Bible Project Romans 5-16 (9 mins):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZuEsGgIFdso>

Mon May 30	Greeting <i>What does it mean to be set apart?</i>	Rom 1:1-7
Tue May 31	Paul longs to visit Rome <i>Is there anyone you miss that might need a call?</i>	Rom 1:8-17
Wed Jun 1	God's wrath on unrighteousness <i>What are the priorities in your life? Where does God come compared to your own desires?</i>	Rom 1:18-32
Thu Jun 2	God judges by righteous principles <i>What judgements do you make on others? Is this fair?</i>	Rom 2:1-16
Fri Jun 3	The Jews and the Law <i>How do you measure yourself against God's standards?</i>	Rom 2:17-29
Sat Jun 4	God's righteousness upheld <i>What does it take to be righteous?</i>	Rom 3:1-8
Sun Jun 5	No one is righteous <i>What is the purpose of the law?</i>	Rom 3:9-20

Mon Jun 6	The righteousness of God through Faith <i>What does it take to be right with God?</i>	Rom 3:21-31
Tue Jun 7	Peace with God through Faith <i>Why do you think God chose Abraham?</i>	Rom 4
Wed Jun 8	Death in Adam, Life in Christ <i>How do trials affect us?</i>	Rom 5:1-11
Thu Jun 9	No longer sin's slaves, but God's slaves <i>What is God's gift to us?</i>	Rom 5:12-21
Fri Jun 10	Released from the law <i>What changes when we accept Christ?</i>	Rom 6
Sat Jun 11	The Function of the law <i>What are the results of dying to our sinful nature?</i>	Rom 7:1-6
Sun Jun 12	Peace with God through Faith <i>How are sin and the law related?</i>	Rom 7:7-13

Mon Jun 13	The conflict of the two natures <i>How effective is willpower in not sinning?</i>	Rom 7:14-25
Tue Jun 14	The Holy Spirit gives life <i>What does it mean practically to live according to the Spirit?</i>	Rom 8:1-17
Wed Jun 15	Future Glory <i>How does each person of the Trinity help us?</i>	Rom 8:18-30
Thu Jun 16	God's everlasting love <i>How can you apply these truths to the things you worry about?</i>	Rom 8:31-39
Fri Jun 17	God's Sovereign Choice <i>Who is Paul talking about here?</i>	Rom 9:1-29
Sat Jun 18	Israel's unbelief <i>Pray for those that are not currently living in God's promise.</i>	Rom 9:30-10:4
Sun Jun 19	The message of salvation to all <i>What criteria does Paul lay out for salvation?</i>	Rom 10:5-21

Mon Jun 20	God's mercy on Israel <i>What keeps us grafted into the root?</i>	Rom 11:1-24
Tue Jun 21	The mystery of Israel's salvation <i>Who are God's people under the new Covenant?</i>	Rom 11:25-36
Wed Jun 22	Dedicate your lives to God <i>What parts of this passage challenge the way you approach life?</i>	Rom 12
Thu Jun 23	Submission to authorities <i>Reflect on our governing authorities, pray for them.</i>	Rom 13:1-7
Fri Jun 24	Fulfilling the law through Love <i>Target yourself to act in love toward a neighbour today.</i>	Rom 13:8-14
Sat Jun 25	Do not pass judgement on one another <i>What attitude do you have when correcting someone?</i>	Rom 14
Sun Jun 26	Please others, not yourself <i>In a disagreement is it always best to be right?</i>	Rom 15:1-13

Mon Jun 27	Paul serves the non-Jew <i>What does Paul think is worthy of his boasting?</i>	Rom 15:14-21
Tue Jun 28	Paul plans to visit Rome <i>What ways can you meet the needs of the poor in our area?</i>	Rom 15:22-33
Wed Jun 29	Personal greetings <i>Which of your friends could do with a greeting today?</i>	Rom 16:1-16
Thu Jun 30	Paul's final instructions <i>How can you test that the spiritual teaching you get is right?</i>	Rom 16:17-27