

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

BIBLE READING PLAN

December 2017

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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?

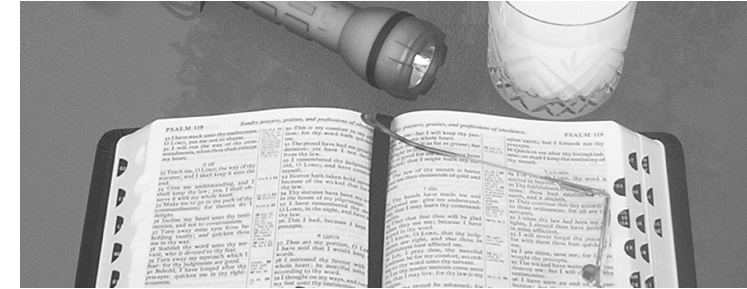
This can most readily be identified from the commands and the repeated words and ideas. Often there will be one instruction in the passage from which the rest flows. Try to sum up the main thought of the passage in a single phrase. What's the key verse?

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?

(Adapted from <http://www.godsquad.com/discipleship/inductive.htm> from *Campus Crusade for Christ*)



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.

Marcus has chosen a selection of Messianic prophecies fulfilled by Jesus: one per day for us to meditate on, pray through and seek God's heart.

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

Happy reading!

Jamie Gx

Foreshadowing

This month we celebrate the coming of Israel's Messiah and, in turn, the Saviour of the entire world. The most convincing evidence of Jesus being Israel's Messiah is the number of prophecies in the Old Testament that He fulfilled at his first coming. This month reading plan features 31 prophecies, along with the New Testament verses verifying Jesus' fulfilment of them.

	The Messiah must ...	Source	Fulfilment
Fri Dec 1	Be tender and compassionate	Isa 40:11; 42:3	Matt 12:15,20; Heb 4:15
Sat Dec 2	Be a prophet like Moses	Deut 18:15,18	Acts 3:20-22
Sun Dec 3	Be adored by great persons	Ps 72:10-11	Matt 2:1-11
Mon Dec 4	Be rejected by the Jewish leadership	Ps 118:22	John 7:48
Tue Dec 5	Be plotted against by Jews and Gentiles together	Ps 2:1-2	Acts 4:27
Wed Dec 6	Be spat upon, hit & mocked	Mic 5:1; Isa 50:6; Ps 22:7-8	Matt 26:67-68
Thu Dec 7	Be forsaken by His disciples	Zech 13:7	Matt 26:31,56
Fri Dec 8	Be executed by having His hands and feet pierced	Ps 22:16; Zech 12:10	Luke 24:39; John 19:18, 34-37
Sat Dec 9	Be thirsty during his execution	Ps 22:15	John 19:28
Sun Dec 10	Be given vinegar to quench thirst	Ps 69:21	Matt 27:34
Mon Dec 11	Bear the blame and criticisms due to others	Ps 69:10	Rom 15:33
Tue Dec 12	Enter the Temple with authority	Hag 2:7-9	John 2:13-22
Wed Dec 13	Enter publicly into Jerusalem on a donkey	Zech 9:9	Mark 11:1-11
Thu Dec 14	Be betrayed by a friend	Ps 41:9; 55:12-14	John 13:18-21; Acts 1:16-18

Fri Dec 15	Be sold for 30 pieces of silver	Zech 11:12	Matt 26:15
Sat Dec 16	Have His price given for a potter's field	Zech 11:13	Matt 27:7
Sun Dec 17	Be a descendant of Abraham	Gen 12:3	Acts 3:12; Gal 3:16
Mon Dec 18	Be a descendant of Isaac	Gen 17:19; 21:12	Luke 3:34; Heb 11:15-17
Tue Dec 19	Be a descendant of Judah	Gen 49:10	Matt 1:2-3; Heb 7:14
Wed Dec 20	Be a descendant of David	2 Sam 7:12-13; Jer 23:5	Acts 11:23; Rom 1:4
Thu Dec 21	Be the Son of God	Ps 2:7; Prov 30:4	Matt 3:17; Luke 1:32
Fri Dec 22	Have God's own name <i>Yud-Heh-Vav-Heh</i> applied to Him	Isa 9:6-7	Rom 10:9; Phil 2:9-11
Sat Dec 23	Be proceeded by one who would announce Him	Isa 40:3-5; Mal 3:1	Matt 3:1-3; Luke 1:17; 3:2-6
Sun Dec 24	Be born of a virgin	Isa 7:14	Matt 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-35
Mon Dec 25	Be born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matt 2:1; Luke 2:4-7
Tue Dec 26	Be a priest	Ps 110:4	Heb 5:5-6; 6:20; 7:15-17
Wed Dec 27	Be executed without having a bone broken	Ex 12:46; Ps 34:20	John 19:33-36
Thu Dec 28	Be buried with the rich when dead	Isa 53:9	Matt 27:57-60
Fri Dec 29	Be raised from the dead	Isa 53:10; Psalm 2:7; 16:10	Matt 28:1-20; Acts 2:23-36; 13:33-37; 1 Cor 11:4-6
Sat Dec 30	Be accepted by the Gentiles	Isa 11:10; 42:1,4; 49:1,12	Matt 12:21; Rom 9:30; 10:20; 11:11; 15:10
Sun Dec 31	Be the king	Psalm 2:6	John 18:33, 37