

Worksheet for Inductive Bible Study

Passage:

Date:

Observation

Ask the reporter questions

Compare Translations

Character Questions

- What does this section teach me about the character of God?
- What does this section teach me about the character of man?

Interpretation:

Answer your questions with secondary resources

Write your understanding of each verse

Rewrite each verse in your own words

Find the main idea

1. Author and recipients
2. List all themes
3. Determine the dominant theme
4. Determine the theme limiter
5. Write the main idea

_____ wrote _____ in order to _____

Consider the gospel

1. What does this text teach you about yourself, a person who needs redemption through the gospel? What need or deficiency in your life does it expose?
2. And what does this text teach you about the character of God, the one who provides redemption through the gospel? How does it reveal God's grace to meet your need?
3. How does this text relate to the gospel? Does it look ahead to the gospel, describe the gospel itself, or result from the gospel?

Application

Believe

Based upon the main idea, what does God want me to believe?

- Is there something false that you need to stop believing?
- Is there something true that you need to start believing?
- Is there an existing belief that you need to change?

Devise a plan of action

Obey

Based upon the main idea, what does God want you to obey?

- Is there something you need to stop doing?
- Is there something you need to start doing?
- Is there an action that you we need to change how you do it?

Devise a plan of action