# INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY

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## **TIPS**



- 1) Read
- 2) Annotate
- 3) Chunk (Try to make headings/titles)

## ORGANIZE YOUR KEY WORDS AND PHRASES INTO LISTS OR GROUPS

- Parallelism
- Contrast
- Progression
- Repetition
- Commands
- Notable phrases
- Themes
- Words of cause/effect
- Transition words (but, for, therefore, yet, however, though, and, etc)

## **DEVELOP QUESTIONS**

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### **OBSERVATION**



These are "right there" questions, because the answers can be located directly in the text.

# ASK THE 5 W'S AND H: WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? WHY? HOW?

- FOLLOW THE FLOW of the passage when coming up with questions. (Using the headings/titles you made helps.)
- Write questions for which the answers are the keywords or lists, patterns, commands, and notable phrases.



#### DISCUSSION



These are "text & me" questions. Search the text & make connections, inferences, and consider context from throughout the text.

#### ASK THE WHY AND HOW QUESTIONS

- Explore relationships between observations
- Explore relationships between commands & truths
- Explore the relevance or meaning of certain phrases that you are not sure of (You may want to use the ESV Study Bible or other Bible verses that may further explain)
- Explore the significance of repetitions or patterns

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#### **APPLICATION**



These are "on my own" questions. where you are using your study of the text to make connections to your own life.

# UTILIZE THE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS TO COME UP WITH QPPLCIATIONS

- As a way to generate broader applications, think about how this message would apply to different groups of people (eg. lonely elderly, frustrated teenager, insecure woman, someone facing financial worries, feeling stuck spiritually, unthinking, or someone with past traumas, hurts...)
- Does scripture expose any error in your belief or your behavior?
- What instruction is God giving you as his child?