

Inductive Bible Study

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Overview

Inductive Bible Study introduces the student to a method for studying the Bible in three steps: observation, interpretation, and application. In each area, matters related to history, literature, and theology will be discussed.

Logistics

- The class will be held on Sunday afternoon from 3-5 p.m.
 - Please follow the schedule in the course outline below.
- The first class will be on Sunday, February 19.
- The cost for the course is \$10.
- Students must obtain the book for required reading.
- Students must participate in the GroupMe group created for the class.

Required Reading

The following book will be required reading for the course:

- *Inductive Bible Study* by R. A. Fuhr and A. J. Köstenberger

Course Outline

Below is a rough outline for the course. All required reading is from *Inductive Bible Study* by Fuhr and Köstenberger.

Week	Date	Topic	Reading
1	2/19	Task of Interpretation, Introduction to Inductive Bible Study	Chapters 1-2
2	2/26	Comparing Translations, Asking the Right Questions	Chapters 3-4
3	3/5	Reading with Discernment: Determining Significant Terms	Chapter 5
4	3/12	Having Eyes to See: Observing Literary Features	Chapter 6
5	3/19	Determining Literary Units, Considering the Context	Chapters 7-8
6	3/26	Interpretive Correlation: Comparing Scripture with Scripture	Chapter 9
7	4/2	Discovering the Meaning: Word Study and Important Themes	Chapters 10-11

8	4/9	Easter	
9	4/16	Consultation and Establishing Relevance	Chapters 12-13
10	4/23	Appropriating the Meaning and Doing Theology	Chapters 14-15

Attendance

Attendance is required for course completion. Students must notify the instructor of any absence beforehand through GroupMe to be excused. No more than 2 excused absences are permitted, and a makeup assignment must be completed for each absence.

Assignments

The following assignments must be completed as part of the course:

1. Students must read all chapters in *Inductive Bible Study*.
2. Students must return a signed covenant stating that they have completed the reading.
3. Students must write a 1-2-page reflection paper on *Inductive Bible Study*.

Make-up assignments will also be required for each absence. All assignments are due no later than 1 week after the final class.

Completion

Upon completion of the class and all assignments, students will be given a commemorative Equipping Center coin, as well as recorded credit for the course.