

## Biblical Character Study

- I. Choose Biblical Character to Study
- II. Determine Text to Study
  - A. Using a Concordance, a Bible Name Index or a website (biblegateway.com) look up all the Scripture in which the character's name is found. Read the references and the surrounding larger story of the character.
  - B. Determine the one chapter critical to understanding the biblical character. You may need to choose from a few or even several critical chapters. Keep the context of the story in mind as you dig deeper into this one critical chapter.
- III. Chapter Study
  - A. Make a paragraph chart of the chapter with a title for each paragraph. Basically, this is an outline of the chapter.
  - B. Answer these "newspaper questions" from the chapter as a whole:  
who – what – where – when – how – why – so what.
  - C. Observe the biblical character under study.
    1. How would you describe his or her relationship with God?
    2. How would you describe his or her relationship with people?
    3. What unique qualities do you observe about the character under study?
    4. How do the events of this chapter help define or describe the character?
    5. How has this chapter helped you to know this person?
  - D. Write your own interpretative statement about the character. Try to synthesize your major point(s) into a sentence or two.
  - E. Application - How does this biblical character challenge you in your:
    1. Relationship with God?
    2. Doing the will of God?
    3. Relationship with other people or certain circumstances?