

Inductive Bible Study – Group Guidelines

- Set specific start and end times. If further discussion takes place, allow opportunity for people to choose to be excused on time.
- Inductive Bible Study is designed for people to do their work on their own in advance. The time together is primarily for sharing one's work and the thoughts, questions and applications that have come from individual work.
- Discussion in the observation and interpretation sections should always be grounded in the text being studied. The conversation may need to be gently guided back to the text with questions like – Where do you see that in the text? Is that what you think the text is saying?
- Discussion in the application section may vary widely. Still, the application should result from the work done in the text.
- Avoid spending too much time in giving one another advice, unless it is specifically asked for.
- End the time in prayer. It is always powerful for the group to pray out loud for one another.