

Inductive Bible Study Worksheet

"I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me." — Proverbs 8:17

A repeatable three-step method for studying any passage on your own.

1. Observation — What does it say?

Read the passage slowly, several times. Note repeated words, contrasts, lists, and questions. Who is speaking? Who is being addressed?

2. Interpretation — What does it mean?

Consider the historical and literary context. What did this mean to its original audience? Check cross-references for how Scripture interprets Scripture.

3. Application — What do I do about it?

Ask: is there a promise to trust, a command to obey, a sin to avoid, an example to follow, or truth about God to worship?

Try it with a passage:

Observation	Interpretation	Application