# Inductive Bible Study Chart

# *“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart”*

STEP I & II: Pray & Retell STEP III: Observation STEP IV: Interpretation STEP V: Application

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| Focal Passage:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **PRAY-** Holy Spirit to lead in truth, give understanding, God to speak, you to respond.  **READ-** Read the passage, slow down and read it again, then read it a 3rd time. | **Observation:** What does this passage say?  Ask the W’s: Who (involved in passage); What (happening, said, argument, details, key words); When (time of day, year, relation to previous Ch.); Where | **Interpretation:** What does this passage mean?  What are key ideas? What is God saying? | **Application:** How does this apply to me? What will I do about it? Commit to obey what God says. What should I know? Avoid/stop doing? Do Differently? Begin/Continue Doing? (2 Tim 3:16) |
| Write 1-2 Sentence summaries of context (Passage/chapter just before & after focal text)  Write the passage down in your own words/ or outline it:  Cross References/Other Verse s that Speak to ideas in the text: | W’s:  Key/Repeated Words, Phrases, Verses, Themes: | What are the key ideas/main point:  What is God saying?  What big themes/points emerge from the text:  My Questions: | What are some implications for my life today?  What will you do in response to this passage?  *I will . . .* |