



Lent Day 30, March 22, 2012 Inductive Study Method

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

Today as we continue our study on spiritual growth, we're going to look at the practice of inductive Bible study. This year I started studying the Bible in this manner through the Kay Arthur ministries. However, you don't have to participate in a Precepts Ministries study; anyone can do an inductive study by following their guidelines.

The inductive study method has three components: observation, interpretation, and application. Today we'll begin with observation. (You can purchase an inductive study Bible that has extra large margins to help you with your study, or you can use your regular Bible.)

Application: Today take a portion of scripture you would like to study and apply the steps to study the passage on your own. The point of the inductive method is to teach you how to study the scriptures for yourself without having to rely on study notes. To download a sample pdf that gives you more information on how to do this, follow this link to the Precepts Ministries page and look for "Sample PDF":

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Prayer: Lord,

We thank you for giving us your Holy Spirit to guide us in our studies. Show us how to study your word and to learn the important things you want us to know. Amen.