

2 Timothy 1:1 - 7

New American Standard Bible 1995

1 *Circle the people mentioned.*

30 *What questions do you have?*

2 *Put ? when you have questions.*

3 *Connect repeated ideas.*

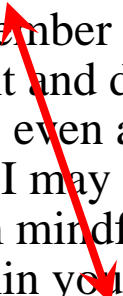
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5 1 **Paul** an apostle of Christ Jesus
6 by the will of God, according to
7 the promise of life in Christ Jesus,

8 2 To Timothy, my beloved son:?

9 Grace, mercy *and* peace from
10 God the Father and Christ Jesus
11 our Lord.

12 3 I thank God, whom I serve with
13 a clear conscience the way my
14 forefathers did, as I constantly
15 remember you in my prayers
16 night and day, 4 longing to see
17 you, even as I recall your tears, so
18 that I may be filled with joy. 5 For
19 I am mindful of the sincere faith
20 within you, which first dwelt in
21 your grandmother Lois and your
22 mother Eunice, and I am sure that
23 *it is* in you as well. 6 For this
24 reason I remind you to kindle
25 afresh the gift of God which is in
26 you through the laying on of my
27 hands. 7 For God has not given us
28 a spirit of timidity, but of power
29 and love and discipline.



Inductive Bible Study

(A few general ideas)

Observation **(What does it say?)**

*What facts do you **observe** that help bring out the writer's thought process?*

- Who are the people involved?
- What action takes place?
- What type of literature is it (poetry, history, didactic, etc.)?
- What details are included or left out?
- Are any unusual words used?
- Is there symbolic language?
- Are words or ideas repeated?
- Any comparisons or contrasts?
- Any cause and effect?
- Any indications of purpose ("in order that...", "so that...")?
- Any conclusions ("Therefore...")?
- Any explanations?
- Does the passage logically break into sections?

Interpretation **(What does it mean?)**

*What questions come to mind that would help you **interpret** the meaning?*

- How would the original readers have understood the passage?
- What is the main emphasis?
- Why is there repetition, or contrast, or unusual words?
- Does grammar or structure point to the writer's thought pattern?
- Is there a logical sequence in the passage?
- How are different ideas connected?
- Are any new ideas or concepts presented?
- Are there difficulties in the passage?

Application **(What does it mean for me?)**

*What is the impact on your life? What **application** does the Holy Spirit want to show you?*

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a promise to be thankful for?
- Is there an attribute of God to worship?
- Is there an example to follow?

Read nothing into the Scriptures, but draw everything from them, and suffer nothing to remain hidden that is really in them.

**Johann Albrecht Bengel
(1687-1752)**

For a much more detailed description of the methodology, see

• Kay Arthur, *How to Study Your Bible*. Eugene, Oregon: Harvest House Publishers 1994.

• Robert A. Traina, *Methodical Bible Study*. Wilmore, Kentucky: Asbury Theological Seminary, 1952.

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