**INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY OUTLINE**

You will use this guide to record your observations. You will turn in 2 passages with a completed guide and utilize this guide in the construction of 3 inductive study papers

**Observation – What does it say?**

Note the use of introductory and concluding formulas.

Time references:

A verb in which the author/speaker states his/her purpose ("I urge," "I pray"):



A direct call to the audience on the basis of a relationship ("brothers," "beloved"):

Narrative introductions and conclusions:

Doxologies (praise) at the end of large sections:

Note changes in genre.

Narrative (miracle story, exorcism, travel) or Speech (parable, exhortation, information):

Note the narrative setting.

Persons:

Places:

Times:

Note logical relationships.

Agent - Who did what?

Means - How did they do it?

Cause & Effect - What happened? What made it happen?

Manner - How did it happen?

Purpose - Why was it done?

Comparison/contrast:

General to specific/specific to general

**Interpretation – What does it mean?**

Literary context

How does the passage relate to the preceding and following material?

How does the passage relate to the overall goals of the author?

Social context - how is the interpretation of this passage affected by the society in which it took place?

Historical context - how is the interpretation of this passage affected by the historical situation in which it took place?

How do you think the 1st Century church would have understood this passage?

**Application – What should I do?**

What is the subject matter?

What is said about the subject matter?

How does what is said affect life today?

What is the timeless biblical principle in this passage?

How does this apply to YOUR life?