

16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. 18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

19 We love because he first loved us. 20 Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. 21 And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

1 John 4:16-21

Small Group Instructions

Step 1: Pray

Step 2: Read the Scripture aloud together.

- Also, if in personal study, read aloud to yourself too.
- Make notes on the passage by hand
  - Underline, circle, draw arrows...etc.

Step 3: Read the passage again silently making observations on the passage

- Share the Observations with the group (if in a group setting)

Step 4: Read the passage again silently while making interpretive notes

- Share those with your group

Step 5: Read the passage again silently while looking for areas of conviction and application

- Share some with the group

Step 6: Close in pray together

Tutorial on how to take notes inductively on a Bible passage.

- Watch this 8 min instructional video and take notes
- Get clear about Observation, Interpretation and Application
- [How to Study the Bible](#)<sup>1</sup>



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<sup>1</sup> Video is from Impact and Logos Ministries. A Bible Translation Group. [How to Study the Bible](#)