Bible Study Guide

Pick a journal or notebook to keep with your Bible.

Choose a Bible reading plan or a book of the Bible to read through.

Read one chapter (or section) each day.

On the top line of your journal page write the date and the passage you read.

Answer some of the following questions based on your daily reading:

- Look for adjectives that are associated with God what is He like? What Attributes of God are seen in the text? What names are given to God?
- Look for **verbs** associated with God. What is God doing in the text? Make a list of God's actions. God is active!
- Are the verbs in the past, present or future tense? This is usually significant.
- Look for verbs associated with mankind. What are we being called to do? Make a list of responses/actions.
- Make a list of contrasts you see in the text.
- Note repeated words or ideas.
- Look up the definition of important words in the dictionary. Look for synonyms and antonyms.
- Copy a verse that seems significant to you.

The goal is *observation*. Don't fret over not understanding everything you are reading. Often we need help to *interpret* the text. Interpretation is not your goal right now. However, it's amazing how much we can learn from simply observing what we see! Note any *applications* the Lord impresses upon you from your observations.

Pray based on the passage you read:

<u>Praise</u> – telling God how great He is (His attributes) <u>Thanksgiving</u> – thanking Him for what He has done <u>Confession</u> – telling the truth about your sin <u>Request</u> – asking Him to do what only He can do