

Family Discipleship Plan

Genesis—Abraham



Do you see yourself as ordinary? Do you wonder why some others are more talented, intelligent, beautiful, outgoing? Abraham was willing to obey God and take that first step of faith that leads to a journey of excellence and greatness. Through this study of the life of Abraham, you and your family will take a journey of faith, following Abraham one step at a time to become a Friend of God. Do you long to be God's friend?

Precept Ministries has several Abraham studies designed for different levels of in-depth study your family can use to study together.

Books for Adult Study

Depending on your experience with Precept™ Inductive Bible Studies, you can select one below as part of the Genesis—Abraham Family Discipleship Plan.

- **Precept Upon Precept—Genesis Part 3: Becoming a Friend of the Faithful God**
We recommend this study for adults who are familiar with Precept™ Inductive Bible Studies.
- **New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways** (The Pentateuch)
This six-week study will introduce you to the Precept™ Inductive Bible Study Method. The book has 13 lessons (weeks), but for this plan adults will use only a portion of the book. Feel free to study the rest of the book on your own or with your family!

Books for Student Study

The below books are recommended for different aged children. Please read each description to decide which book best fits your child's needs.

- **Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham, A Journey of Faith**
This study is perfect for your Middle or High School student. The vision of the Inductive Bible Study Curriculum series is to provide a Bible study resource that teaches students not only the Word but also how to mine truth in the Word. This six-unit study focuses on Genesis 12—25.
- **Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: God's Brave Explorer**
This study was written especially for children ages 8 to 12. It provides fun and interactive exercises that lead your child through Genesis 11—25 to discover Truth for themselves. The Discover 4 Yourself Abraham study is a six-week study.



Syllabus

Supply List for Abraham

Bible – New Inductive Study Bible*

Curriculum Workbook* (see introduction for list of books)

Colored pencils, pen, pencil* (instructions for using these are included in each curriculum workbook)

Notebook with paper* (helpful for making notes and lists while studying)

How to Study Your Bible for Kids DVD

Word Study Tools

How to do a Word Study Online (included at the end of the syllabus)

*Indicates items recommended while studying this track. Some items (colored pencils, pen, pencil) can be shared by the entire family.



Syllabus

Week One Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 1, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 3, Days 1-3

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 1, Lessons 1-7
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 1, Days 1-5

Week Two Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 2, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 3, Day 4

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 2, Lessons 1-6
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 2, Days 1-5

Week Three Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 3, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 3, Days 5-7 and Week 4, Day 1

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 3, Lessons 1-7
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 3, Days 1-5

Week Four Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 4, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 4, Day 2

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 4, Lessons 1-7
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 4, Days 1-5

Week Five Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 5, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 4, Days 3-5

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 5, Lessons 1-6
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 5, Days 1-5

Week Six Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Genesis Part 3: Week 6, Days 1-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Teach Me Your Ways (Genesis): Week 4, Days 6-7 and Week 5, Days 1-4

OR Student Study Guide

- Inductive Bible Study Curriculum—Abraham: Unit 6, Lessons 1-6
- Discover 4 Yourself—Abraham: Week 6, Days 1-5

Please feel free to adjust the length of these studies to fit your needs. Move through each lesson at your children's pace and let the Holy Spirit guide your time studying together as a family. The Inductive study skills you and your children learn as you work through this study will establish a foundation for a lifetime of learning.



Ideas for Including Non-Readers

Inductive Bible Study Flash-Card Symbols—Read aloud to your younger children the scripture(s) for each day's study. Cut out colored symbols to represent key words from the scripture(s) being studied. Glue the symbol onto a Popsicle stick or draw it on an index card. When you or your older children read aloud scriptures to younger children, help the non-readers recognize them by holding up the stick or card with the corresponding symbol when they hear the keyword read.

Artwork Options (choose from the following)

- Have younger children draw a picture of what they heard and learned for the scripture of the day. Use clay or playdough to model the story.
- Let the younger child draw the characters. Make paper dolls from their drawings and let them use their paper dolls to retell the story.
- Make a Diorama from a shoebox to tell the story.
- Make a mobile featuring marking symbols with keywords of the scriptures studied.
- Sharing Aloud—Have your child reread the text to you or a member of the family.

Lights, Camera, Action! (choose from the following)

- Have them act out the study or scripture for that day. This can include props and costumes you make. Videotape the production as a play or news broadcast. Use all the children in the production.
- Let them use puppets to retell the story.
- Let the younger child pretend to be the Bible character being studied and let an older child conduct an interview for a pretend radio or television show.

Fun for All (choose from the following)

- Play games that reinforce the facts of the scripture.
- Let older children make up a game for the younger children to play.

Time for Review—Let the younger child ask *who, what, when, where, why* and *how* questions of the other members taking part in the study.

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How to do a Word Study Online

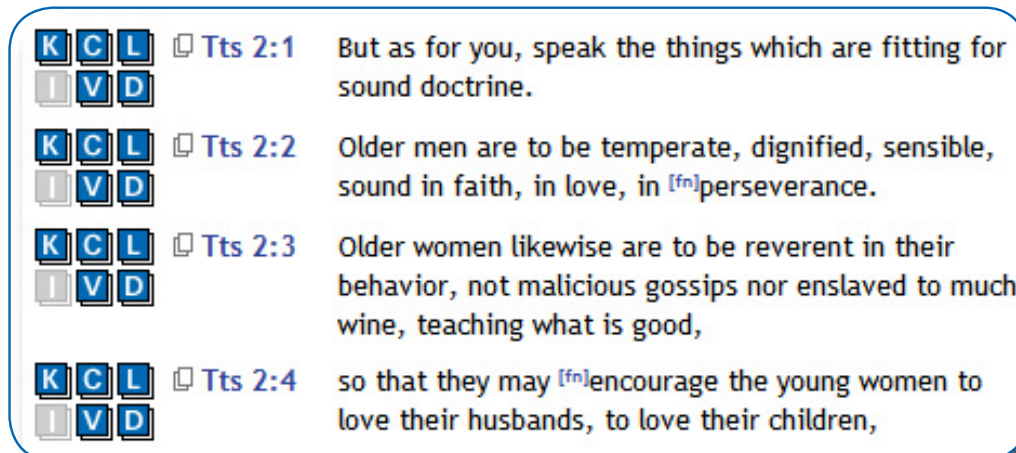
1. Open your Internet browser and go to www.blueletterbible.org



2. Type in the passage that contains the word you want to look up (you can change the version of the Bible to the right of the search box).



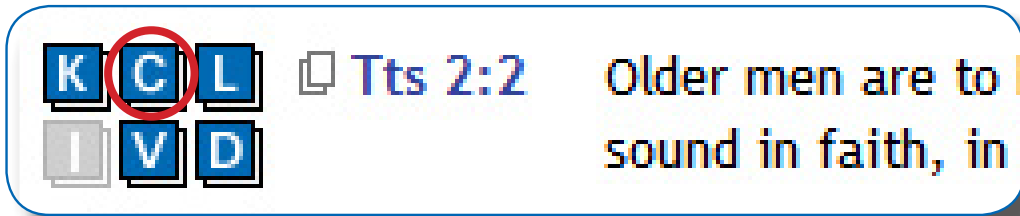
3. Hit search and the following screen will appear:



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How to do a Word Study Online (cont.)

4. Find the word you want to look up and find the box labeled “C” to the left of the verse.



5. Click the “C” box and the following screen will appear:

The image shows a screenshot of a Lexicon / Concordance for Titus 2:2. The window title is 'Lexicon / Concordance for Titus 2:2'. Below the title bar, there is a search box containing 'GNT Morph'. The main text area displays the Greek text: '2:2 πρεσβύτες νηφαλίους εἶναι σεμνοὺς σώφρονας ὑγιαίνοντας τῇ πίστει τῇ ἀγάπῃ τῇ ὑπομονῇ'. Below the text is a table with three columns: 'English (NASB)', 'Strong's', and 'Root Form (Greek)'. The table contains the following entries:

English (NASB)	Strong's	Root Form (Greek)
Older men	G4246	πρεσβύτες <i>presbytēs</i>
are to be	G1510	εἰμί <i>eimi</i>
temperate,	G3524	νηφάλιος <i>nēphalios</i>
dignified,	G4586	σεμνός <i>semnos</i>
sensible,	G4998	σώφρων <i>sōphrōn</i>
sound	G5198	ὑγιαίνω <i>hygaiṅō</i>
in faith,	G4102	πίστις <i>pistis</i>
in love,	G26	ἀγάπη <i>agapē</i>
in perseverance.	G5281	ὑπομονή <i>hypomonē</i>



How to do a Word Study Online (cont.)

6. Find the word you want to look up and click on the Strong's number to the right of the word. This screen will appear showing the original language and separate definitions:

Lexicon Results	
Strong's G4998 - <i>sōphrōn</i>	
σώφρων	
Transliteration	Pronunciation
<i>sōphrōn</i>	sō'-frōn (Key)
Part of Speech	Root Word (Etymology)
adjective	From the base of σωζω (G4982) and that of φρον (G5424)
TDNT Reference	Vines
7:1097,1150	View Entry
Outline of Biblical Usage	
1) of a sound mind, sane, in one's senses 2) curbing one's desires and impulses, self-controlled, temperate	
Authorized Version (KJV) Translation Count – Total: 4	
AV – sober 2, temperate 1, discreet 1	
Thayer's Lexicon (Help)	
<p>σώφρων, -ον, (fr. <i>σάος</i>, contr. <i>σῶς</i> [cf. <i>σώζω</i>, init.], and <i>φρήν</i>, hence the poet. <i>σαόφρων</i>; cf. <i>ἄφρων</i>, <i>ταπεινόφρων</i>, <i>μεγαλόφρων</i>), [fr. Hom. down]; a. <i>of sound mind, sane, in one's senses</i>, (see <i>σωφρονέω</i>, a. and <i>σωφροσύνη</i>, a.). b. <i>curbing one's desires and impulses, self-controlled, temperate</i>, [R. V. <i>soberminded</i>], ([<i>ἐπιθυμεί ὁ σώφρων ὧν δεῖ καὶ ὡς δεῖ καὶ ὅτε</i>, Aristot. eth. Nic. 3, 15 fin.], see <i>σωφροσύνη</i>, b.): 1 Tim. iii. 2; Tit. i. 8; ii. 2, 5.*</p>	

7. For further commentary on the word, click on the link to the Vines Commentary.

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How to do a Word Study Online (cont.)

8. Clicking on the Vines link will provide you with additional information.

Vine's Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words

A-1 Adjective Strong's Number: G4998 Greek: *sophron*

Discreet, Discreetly:

"of sound mind, self-controlled" (for the derivation, see DISCIPLINE), is translated "sober-minded," in its four occurrences in the RV, 1Ti 3:2 (AV, "sober"); Tts 1:8 (AV, "ditto"); Tts 2:2 (AV, "temperate"); Tts 2:5 (AV, "discreet"). See SOBER, TEMPERATE.

[\[View Entry in Its Context\]](#)

A-1 Adjective Strong's Number: G4998 Greek: *sophron*

Sober, Soberly, Soberminded:

denotes "of sound mind" (*sozo*, "to save," *phren*, "the mind"); hence, "self-controlled, soberminded," always rendered "sober-minded" in the RV; in 1Ti 3:2; Tts 1:8, AV, "sober;" in Tts 2:2, AV, "temperate;" in Tts 2:5, AV, "discreet."

Remember, word study is a helpful skill for interpretation, but it should be conducted only after extensive observation.