

Family Discipleship Plan

Jonah



Has God ever asked you to do something that you did not want to do? Have you felt like turning around and running as fast as you can? If yes, you can relate to Jonah. Study the book of Jonah inductively together as a family and see how God used Jonah to accomplish His purpose.

Studying the book of Jonah is a great place to begin your family discipleship. Below we list the different Jonah studies available for your family to 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 Jonah Family Discipleship Plan.

- **Precept Upon Precept—Where are You Going? (Jonah)**
This is the perfect beginning study for parents who are new to Precept.
- **New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances** (Jonah/Joel/Obadiah/Amos)
This study is great for parents with time constraints during the week. 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

- **New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances** (Jonah/Joel/Obadiah/Amos)
Middle and high school students will learn how to inductively study using this 15 minutes-a-day study. Parents and students can work through it together if Precept Upon Precept seems too difficult or daunting for parents. The book has 13 lessons (weeks) but for this plan students will only use a portion of the book.
- **Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah!**
Your children 8 to 12 years old will love this fun and interactive study.

All the above studies can all be completed in five weeks or at a pace set by your younger children's needs.

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Syllabus

Supply List for Jonah

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

The New How to Study Your Bible

How to Study Your Bible for Kids DVD

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.

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Syllabus

Week One Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Where Are You Going? (Jonah): Week 1, Days 1-5. Read through the entire book of Jonah each day this week.
- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Read through entire book of Jonah each day.

OR

Student Study Guide

- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Read through entire book of Jonah each day.
- Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah: Week 1, Days 1-5

Week Two Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Where Are You Going? (Jonah): Week 1, Days 1-3
- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 1, Days 1-7

OR

Student Study Guide

- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 1, Days 1-7
- Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah: Week 2, Days 1-5

Week Three Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Where Are You Going? (Jonah): Week 1, Days 4-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 2, Days 1-3

OR

Student Study Guide

- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 2, Days 1-3
- Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah: Week 3, Days 1-5

Week Four Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Where Are You Going? (Jonah): Week 2, Days 1-3
- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 2, Days 4-7 and Week 3, Days 1-2

OR

Student Study Guide

- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 2, Days 4-7 and Week 3, Days 1-2
- Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah: Week 4, Days 1-5

Week Five Schedule

Adult Study Guide

- Precept Upon Precept®—Where Are You Going? (Jonah): Week 2, Days 4-5
- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 3, Days 3-7

OR

Student Study Guide

- New Inductive Study Series—Discovering the God of Second Chances (Jonah): Week 3, Days 3-7
- Discover 4 Yourself—Wrong Way, Jonah: Week 5, 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 that you and your children learn as you work through this study will establish a foundation for a lifetime of learning.

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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

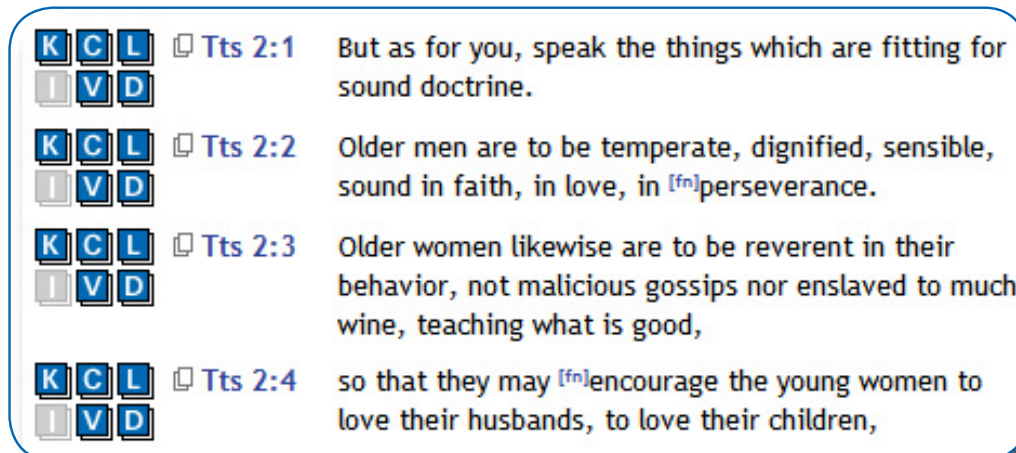
1. Open your Internet browser and go to www.blueletterbible.org



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.

K C L Tts 2:2 Older men are to
I V D sound in faith, in

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

Lexicon / Concordance for Titus 2:2

GNT Morph

2:2 πρεσβύτες νηφάλιους εἶναι σεμνοὺς σώφρονας
ὑγιαίνοντας τῇ πίστει τῇ ἀγάπῃ τῇ ὑπομονῇ

English (NASB)	Strong's	Root Form (Greek)
Older men	G4246	πρεσβύτες <i>presbytēs</i>
are to be	G1510	εἶμι <i>eimi</i>
temperate, dignified,	G3524	νηφάλιος <i>nēphalios</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>

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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>σῶζω</i>, init.], and <i>φρήν</i>, hence the poet. <i>σάοφρων</i>; cf. <i>ἄφρων</i>, <i>ταπεινόφρων</i>, <i>μεγαλόφρων</i>), [fr. Hom. down]; a. of sound mind, sane, in one's senses, (see <i>σωφρονέω</i>, a. and <i>σωφροσύνη</i>, a.). b. curbing one's desires and impulses, self-controlled, temperate, [R. V. <i>soberminded</i>], (<i>ἐπιθυμεί δὲ 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.