**[ Inductive Bible Study Question – LA UBF ]**

 **Romans 8:31-39**

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| What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? **32** He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? **33** Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. **34** Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. **35** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? **36** As it is written:“For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”[[j](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28153j)]**37** No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,[[k](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28155k)] neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, **39** neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. |

**I. General observation (What does the text say?)**

The first step in Inductive Bible Study is to get the **big picture**; to see the **forest** before the individual trees!

Focus on understanding the overall context and structure. Apply Observation tools selectively to the text situation.

**1. Identify a Genre of this chapter**

 Historical Narrative

**2. Big Picture**

 identified the background, historical context and overall sense of the entire book

 🡪 Refer to the book of Mark gospel Introduction

**3. Factual Study**

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| **Read whole passage, divide the passage into different paragraphs and make your own subtitle for each paragraph (10 min)** |

**II. Observe and interpret paragraphs according to the following division.**

**1. Try to figure out this event using 5W1H.**

 - Who (main characters) :

 - When (time) :

 - Where (place) :

 - What (what happened?) :

**2.What are the emphasized or repeated words of the passage?**

 **- emphasized word**

 **- repeated word**

**3. Write down the contrasts and comparisons in the passage.**

**4. Write down the connections.**

 **(**If condition, cause & effect etc)

**5. Write down the main points of this passage.**

 (Consider the author's flow of thought)

**6. What are keywords and verses?**

**7. Write down the main thought of the passage in one sentence.**

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| **8. Interpretation & Application**  **(“What lesson does the passage give to the audience? & How can I apply the text to me?”)** **1) Interpretive questions? (The questions that we make to get the lesson from the text)**Ex) Why should we love one another?   **2) Interpretation**  **3) Apply the text to your life** * **The Word that touched your heart**
* **Examine yourself with the word and write what you find. (refer to the guideline)**
* **What can you do to obey the word? (try to write specific action)**
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**III. Let’s share our application in the group taking a turn.**

**\* Guideline for application**

 **Step1) Examine Ourselves**

 Examine your life by asking nine questions in five areas.

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| **<Areas to Examine>**My relation with God My personal life My relations with others (family, church, work..)My relation with the enemyMy world | **<Nine Questions>**Is there an example for me to follow?Is there a sin to avoid?Is there a promise to claim?Is there a prayer to repeat?Is there a command to obey?Is there a condition to meet?Is there a verse to memorize?Is there an error to mark?Is there a challenge to face? |

 **Step2) Make Action Plan**

 1) Decide on a specific action (goal of meditation)

 2) Application must be practical: - Practical / Measurable / Attainable

 **Step3) Share your decision**

 **Step4) Do action**

 **Step5) Check your fruit of application**