BASIC INTENSIVE BIBLE STUDY COURSES #201 -266

The purpose of an intensive is to thoroughly study the contents of a particular book of the Bible, and to teach you how to hear from God as you study His Word. Read the book you are studying through using the reading guide below. As you read, pray and ask God to open His Word to you.

Begin each book study by reading the book through, and writing down the author and the approximate date it was written. Read the book a <u>second</u> time, and make a chapter by chapter outline listing the main themes, stories, or points of each chapter. If a story or theme carries over to the next chapter, read until you come to a place where it stops.

Read the book a third time, and on a separate sheet of paper write any key words, thoughts, ideas or verses that God quickens to your heart. Be sure to leave room for more notes. Write any direct commands you feel God is speaking to you as you read. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you apply it to your life that day. Also write down any verses you would like to memorize and how Christ is seen in what you've read. You may want to color code and mark these things as you read. Try to make a study of these key things and memorize the verses you have chosen at this time. Write down the information you find next to the key thing.

Try to read the book through in one sitting the first time, and then read and outline at least one chapter a day. After you have finished reading and outlining, then study the contents of at least one chapter of the book each day. When you are finished with your intensive study, write a one page summary of the book based on what you've learned. Be sure to include how Christ is seen in the book's composition.

Have your instructor check your work, or send in a copy of your outline and notes to BASIC Institute for checking and recording.