



## Observation

The **Observation** window of inductive Bible study answers the question: “**What does the passage say?**”

Read the story at least two times. Again, I recommend reading two different translations of the Bible—one that is a word-for-word translation, like the English Standard Version, and one that is thought-for-thought, such as the New International Version. List the chapter and verse where you see the following facts.

It is helpful to read the section of Scripture before and after the story to provide more insight into the context. Avoid consulting study notes in your Bible or reference material until you have completed the observation window. This allows you to have an unfiltered perspective on what God’s Word has to say, rather than an opinion of what someone else thinks God’s Word has to say.

1. Who was she?

What do we see about her in the text?

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List all people included in the story, including all references to God the Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit including pronouns.

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3. When did she live?

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List **time-related words** like *before* or *after*.

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Note when this takes place in the Bible and in history.

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4. What other important facts do we learn about her? What is her essential? Is there a key Bible verse that exemplifies her essential?

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