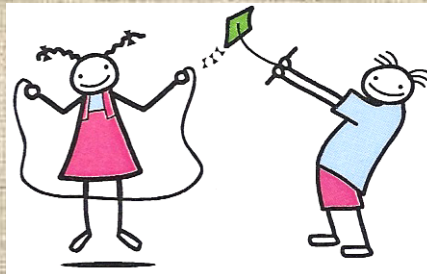


Sunday School Teacher Training





*What is a
Reformed
Teacher anyway?*





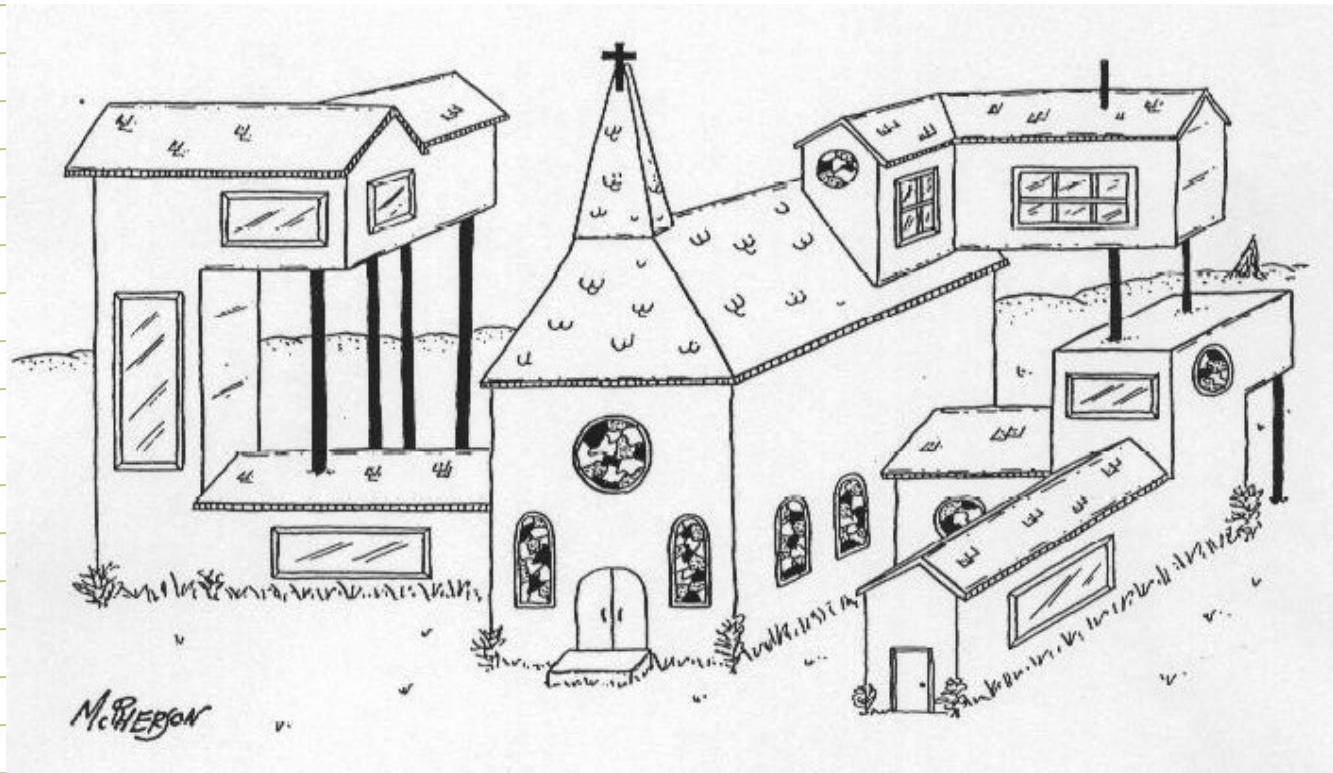
"Sling shot, squirt pistol, tacks, rubber bands,
spit wads, frog....YEP! I'd say we're
well-equipped for Sunday school!"

The Reformed Teacher

It is August 25th and we still need a fifth grade teacher. Will any teacher do? Are they breathing? Do they have a pulse? Or should our reformed theology make a difference in the teacher and the teaching?

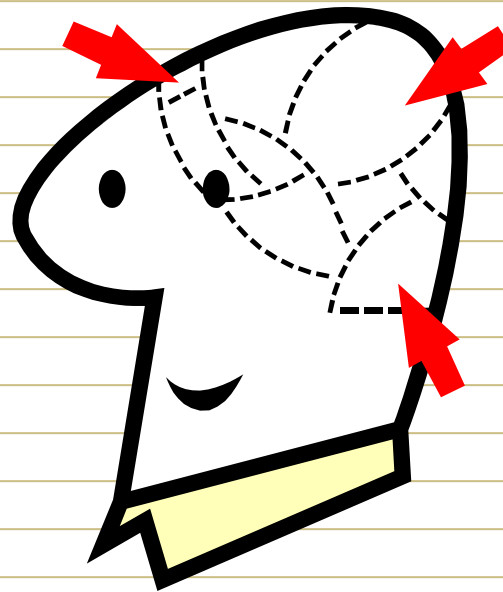
*We must think through an issue theologically,
because our ministry is a reflection of our
theology.*

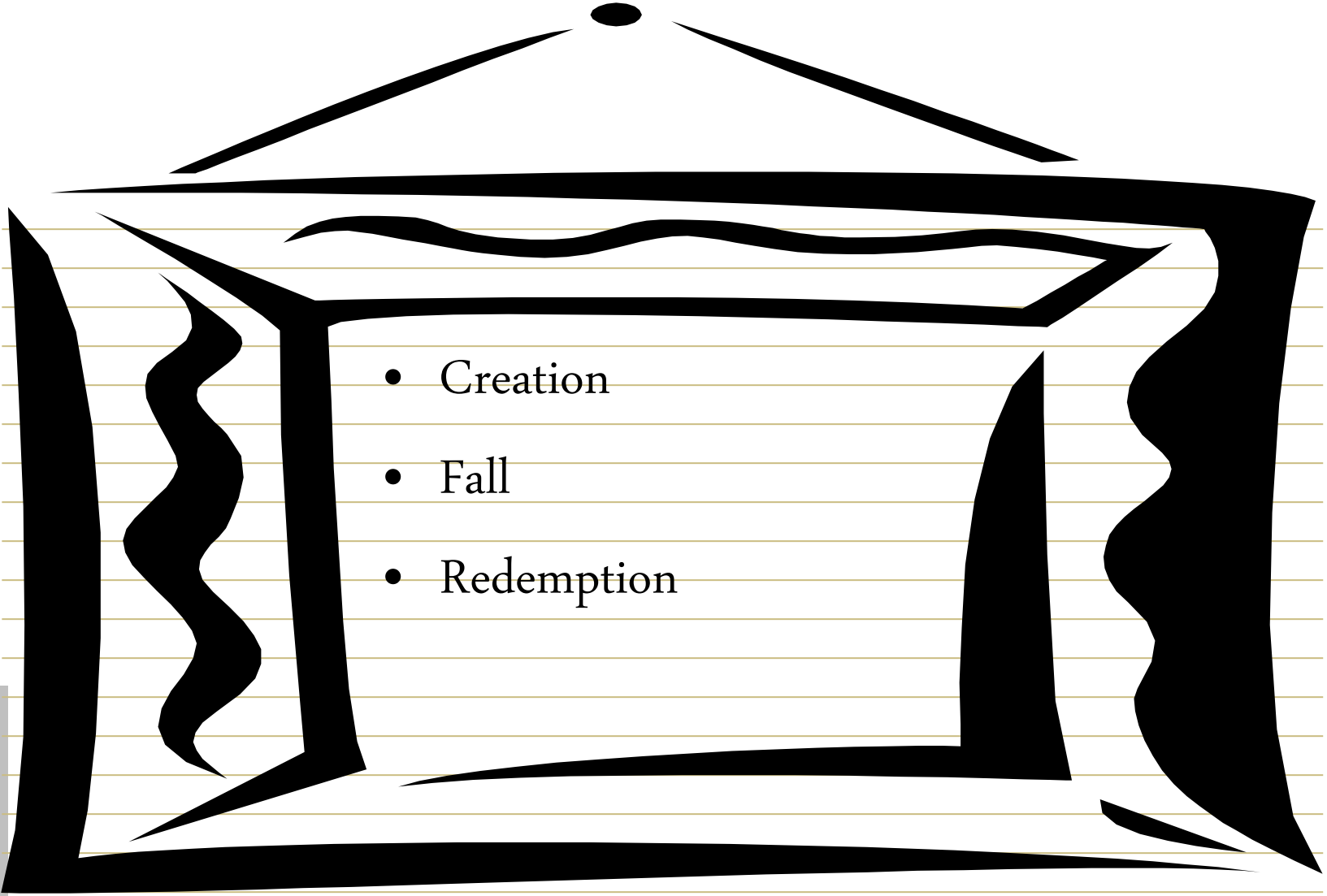
Susan Hunt



What is a worldview?

*The comprehensive framework of a person's basic belief system that allows him/her to think **Christianly** about things.*



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- Creation
 - Fall
 - Redemption

Bible Overview

- Creation

- Relationship w/ God
- Relationship w/ Self
- Relationship w/ Others
- Relationship w/ Creation

- Fall

- Destroys Relationships

- Redemption

Restoration of Relationships

- With God
- With Self
- With Others
- With Creation

Small Group

- What would it have been like to teach at First *Eden* Church?
 - Goal of the Sunday Schol?
 - What is the role and function of the teacher?
 - What is the nature of the students?
 - How will we teach?



THE FALL

Small Group

- What is it like to teach at First *Fall* Church?
 - Goal of the Sunday School?
 - What is the role and function of the teacher?
 - What is the nature of the students?
 - How will we teach?

- **Colossians 1:20**

- 20and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Small Group

- What it is like to teach at First *Redemption* Church?
 - Goal of the Children's Ministry
 - What is the role and function of the teacher?
 - What is the nature of the students?
 - How will we teach?

Goal of Sunday School

- Assist the Parents
- Glorify God
- *The goal of covenantal education is to glorify God by enabling individuals with the tools necessary to see all of life from the perspective of our relationship to God through Christ, and behave according to the rules of our relationship with Him.*

Allen Curry

What is the role & function of the teacher?

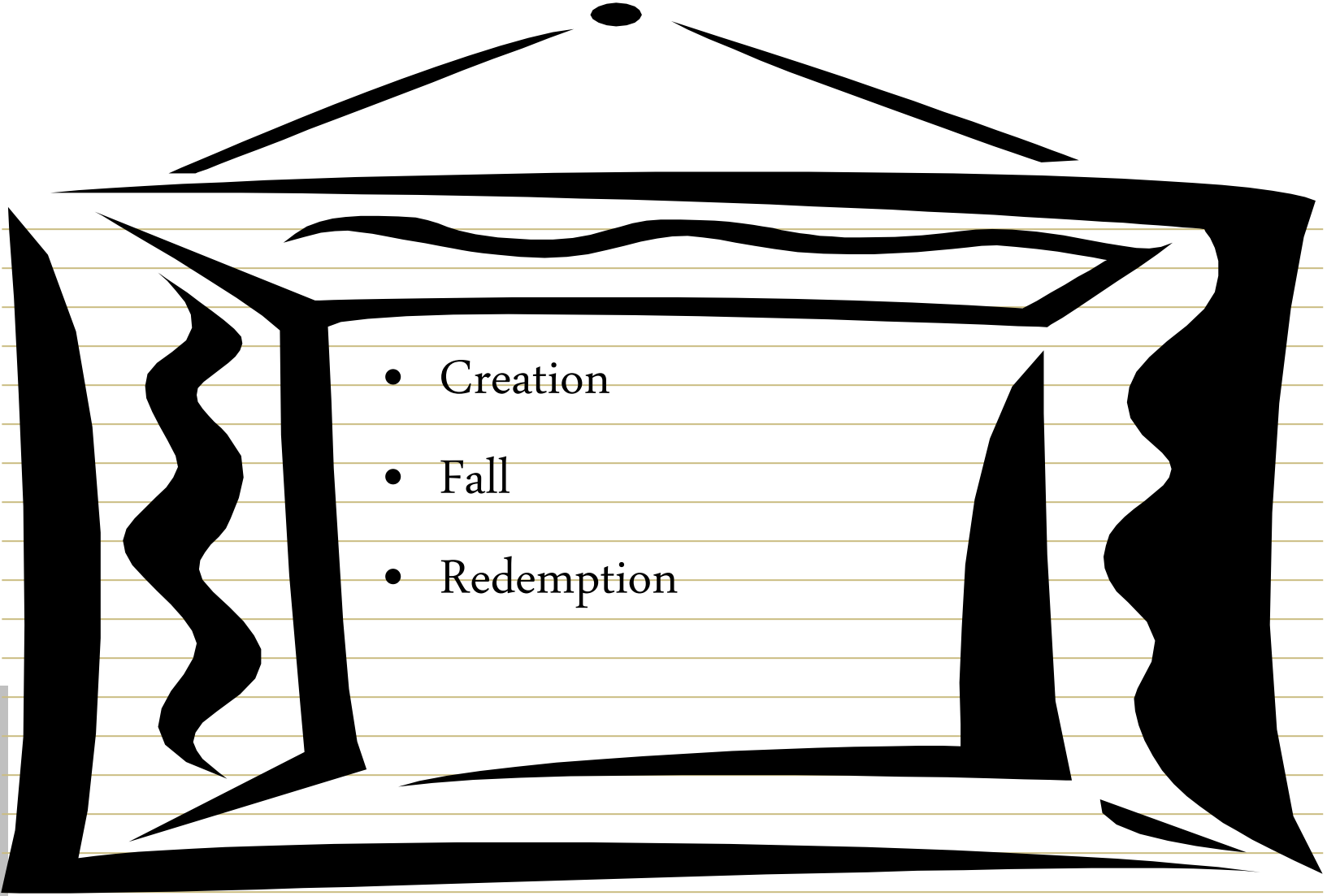
- Are Image bearers of God
- Are Finite, Fallen, and Redeemed
- Have Godly Characteristics
- Are Models of Jesus
- Are Prophets, Priests, and Kings
- Are Shepherds

What is the nature of the students?

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How we will teach?

- Selection of Materials
- Invitation to Faith
- Focus of the Bible Lesson
- Discipline Procedures
- Methods of teaching
- Engage in ministry

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- *The most important thing that a teacher brings into the classroom is their own redeemed personality.*

Dr Norman Harper

YOU are the most important
resource in the classroom!

*A student is not above his teacher, but
everyone who is fully trained will be
like his teacher.*

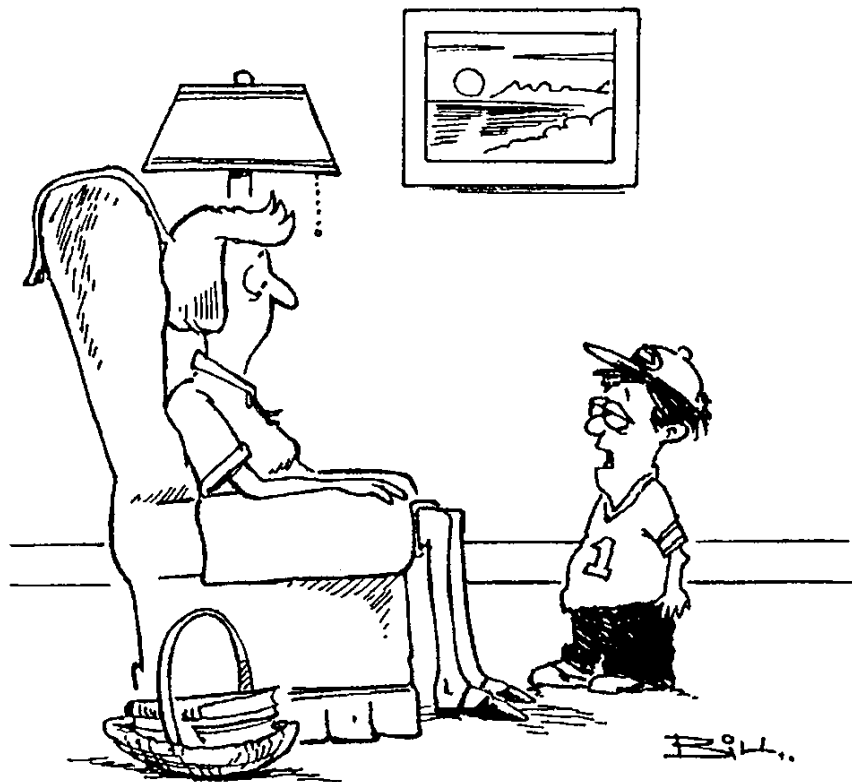
Luke 6:40

Heb 13:20-21

- 20 May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, 21 equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

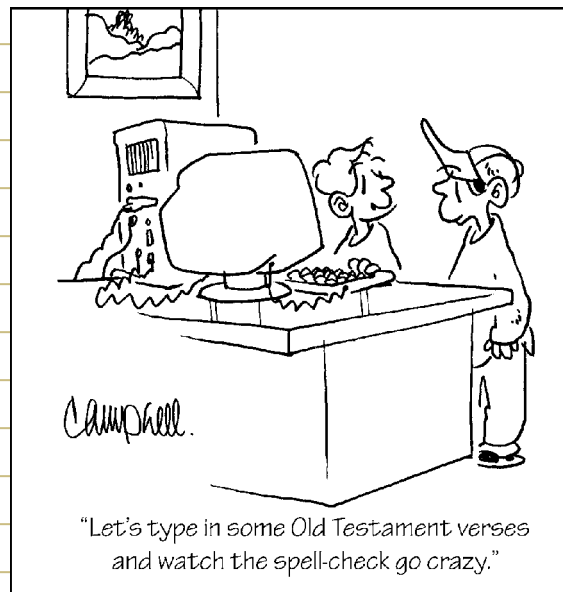
Resources

- *Teaching Redemptively* by Donovan Graham
- *Creation Regained* by Albert Wolters
- *Teaching for Spiritual Growth* by Perry Downs



"Before I tell you what happened, Mom,
remember...The Lord will never give
you more than you can handle."

PREPARING A LIFE-CHANGING LESSON



Lesson Preparation

- General Practices
 - Class Time as an empty box



- With what will you fill the box?

Lesson Preparation

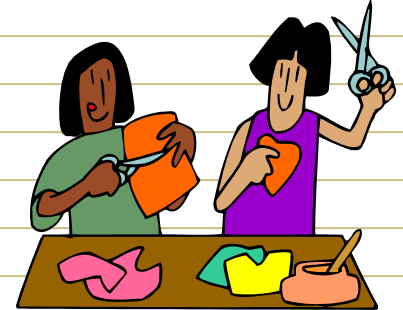
- Basic Elements
 - *Theme or Aim* for the Day
 - *Introduction or Welcoming Activity* to Theme
 - *Explore* the Theme
 - Teaching the Theme
 - Memory Work
 - Activities to reinforce the theme
 - *Application* of the Theme
 - *Closing or Final* activity

PREPARING A LIFE-CHANGING LESSON

❖ Know *what* you are teaching

❖ Know *who* you are teaching

❖ Know *how* you are going to teach

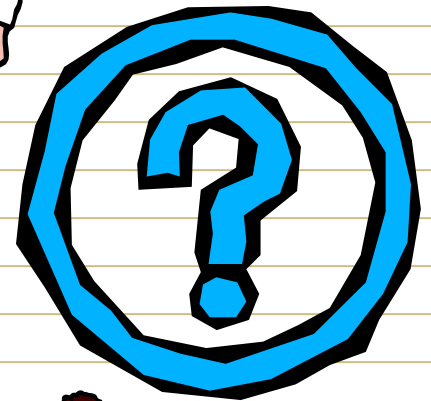
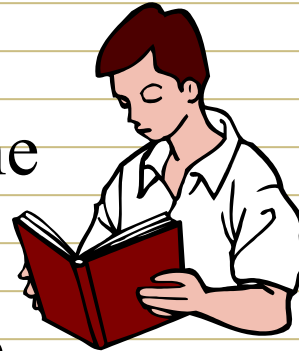


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Know *what* you are teaching

BEGIN IN THE SCRIPTURE

- Read the text from two or three translations at least one week before class
- Ask what God wants you to learn about him
- Ask what God wants your class to learn about him



WRITE AN AIM OR GOAL

At the end of class your students should...

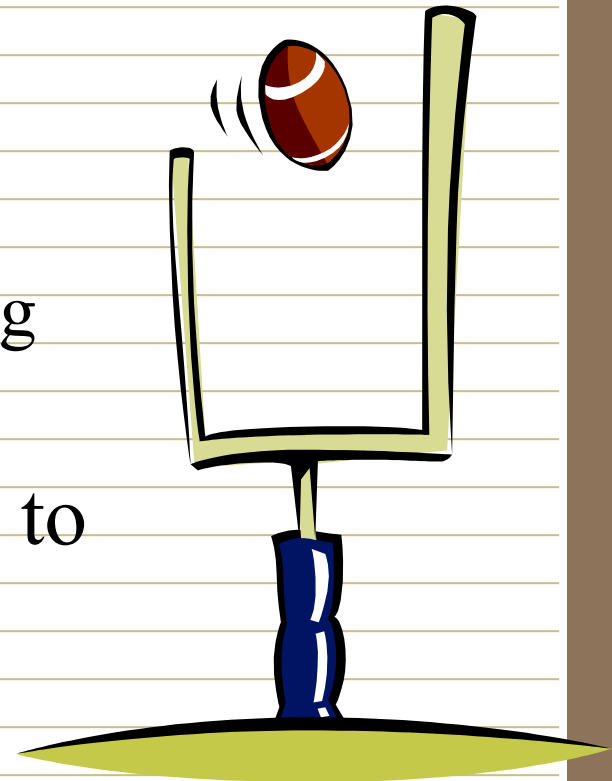
☺ Know something

☺ Do something

☺ Experience of “feel” something

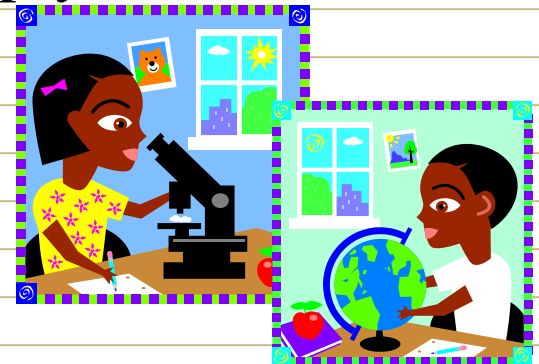
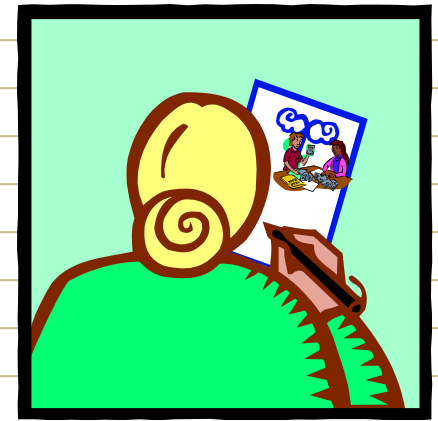
☺ Be something

“Aim at nothing you are bound to hit it”



OPEN YOUR CURRICULUM!

- ✓ Make a list of supplies needed to be creative...
- ✓ Look for something to SEE...
- ✓ Practice something to HEAR...
- ✓ Find something to DO...
- ✓ Choose the activities that will help you accomplish your goal.



PRAY EVERYDAY

⑥ For the Spirit's work in you

⑥ For your students

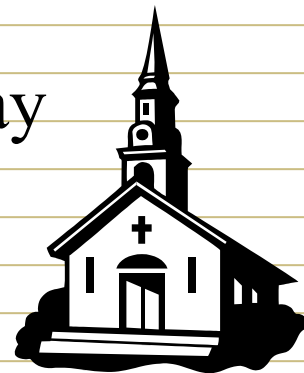
✝ Prepared hearts

✝ Their love for God

✝ Their love for his Word

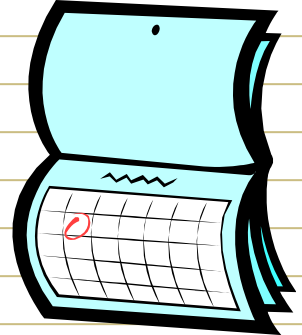
✝ Their love for one another

✝ For your time together on Sunday



SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

- ➔ Do not wait until Saturday night (or Sunday morning) to do all of this
- ➔ Ten to twenty minutes each day will better serve you
- ➔ You will miss the blessing of what God wants to teach you from his Word all week long
- ➔ This disease kills SS teachers!

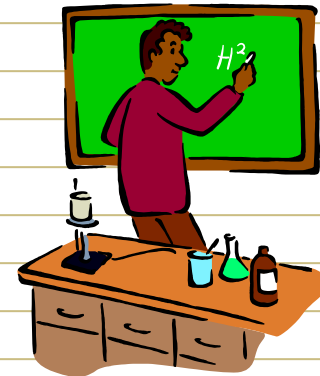


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Know *who* you are teaching

BE IN CLASS FIFTEEN MINUTES EARLY!

- ✓ The gift of time to this generation
- ✓ Earning an audience
- ✓ Classroom management and control
- ✓ A Victory over the enemy



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Know *how* you are going to teach

Why do we teach?

- To obey the Great Commission:

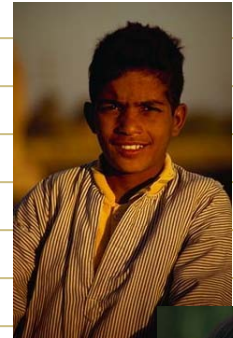
“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28: 18-20

PRAY AND HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS!

“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generation, for ever and ever! Amen.”

Ephesians 3:20-21



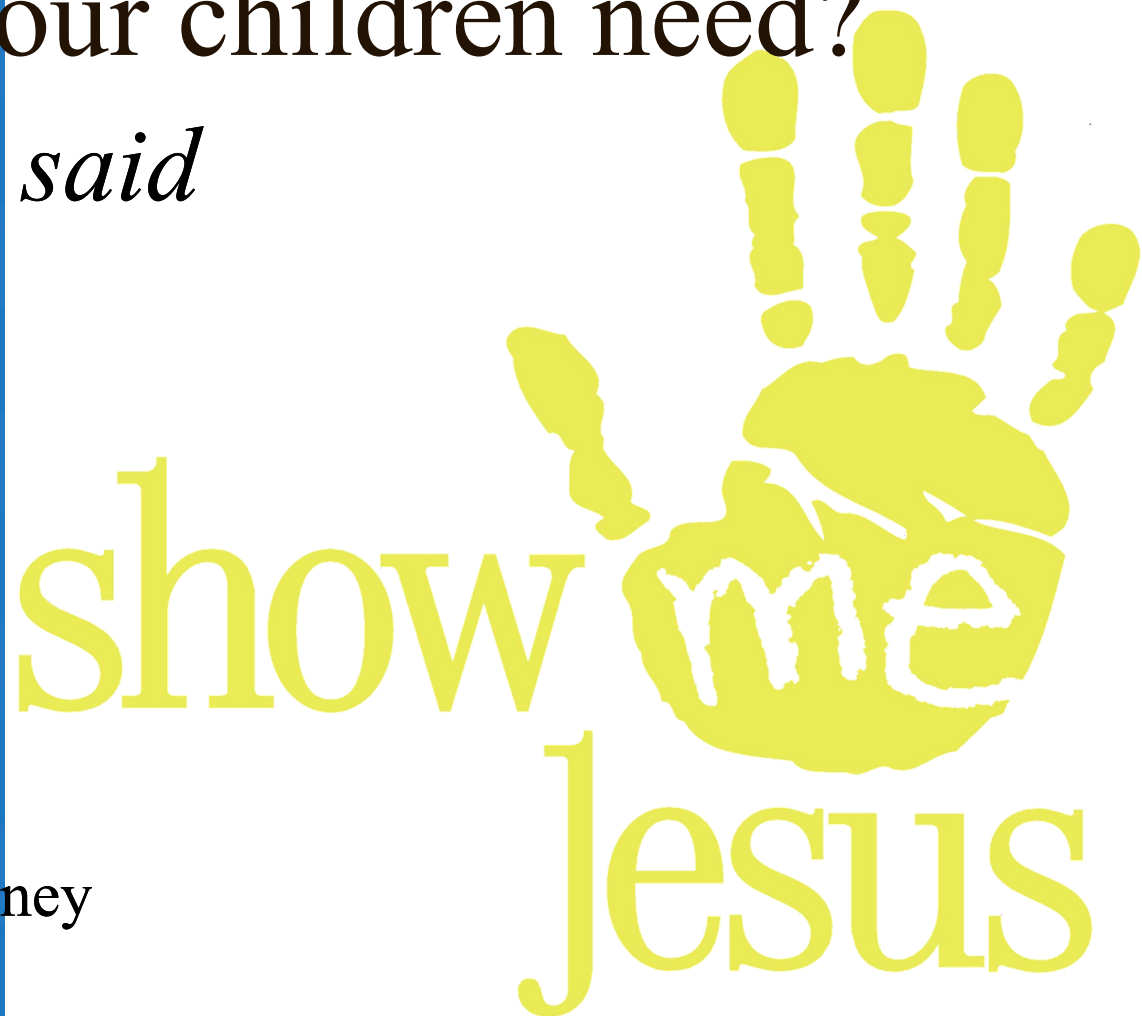


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What do our children need?

*“When it is all said
and done, the
bottom line is
just show
them Jesus.”*

Edmund P. Clowney



*And when they
see Jesus...it is
life-changing!*