

# Qualities Of A Bible Class Teacher

# Introduction

- James 3:1
- “My brethren, be not many masters, (teachers) knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation.”

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- Have the proper motives for wanting to teach
- “Unless you possess the unquenchable desire to teach, don’t teach.” Mike Riley

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- 1 Tim. 4:16

# 1. Spiritually Minded

- **Rom. 8:6**
- **We must live in harmony with the word of God – A teacher can only really teach what he is.**

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- “A good man or woman may not be a good teacher; but it is impossible for a bad man or woman to be a good teacher. We must practice what we preach (and teach L.B.) David J. Riggs

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- The character of a man is based upon what he thinks
- Proverbs 23:7

## 2. Have A Working Knowledge Of The Bible

- 2 Tim. 2:15



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- **Those who would teach must understand God's message as revealed in His word**
- **The teacher must know what the Bible says and also how to apply it to life**

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- The first step in teaching is to understand the passage yourself
- The second step is try to simplify the passage so that others can understand (Sometimes this is hard)

## 3. Be Resourceful

- We must teach the lesson in such a way that others will understand it
- Not all people learn the same way

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- Neh. 8:5-8

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- Jude 1:22-23

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- Jesus used various teaching methods in his teaching
- A good Bible teacher will use different teaching methods so that the students will be able to learn biblical truths

## 4. Cheerfulness & Optimism

- Rom. 12:12
- Phil. 4:4

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- 1 Th. 5:16
- 1 Pet. 4:13



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- “Our Bible classes should bring hope and encouragement to an otherwise dreary world.” Mike Riley

## 5. Be Sympathetic & Kind

- Js. 1:27

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- Sympathy is more than understanding a individual's needs --- it means doing what we can to help meet those needs

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- Help them conquer sin in their lives
- Be a friend and support for your students
- Gal. 6:2

## 6. Be Prayerful

- Eph. 6:18
- 1 Th. 5:17

# References

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