

Introduction

Bible Bytes

(otherwise known as Memory Verses)

This section contains nine scripts that can be used in upfront presentations.

Each script delivers a verse from the Bible – a Bible Byte – that can be easily remembered, and which connects harmoniously with the theological content of the session.

A couple of things to remember about teaching and learning

Teach and Learn things right the first time. Don't mix up the words or phrases and then sort them out as a teaching strategy. This can be a revision technique, but the first twenty presentations of a phrase should give the words in correct order, both for the sake of memory sequencing, but also for the sake of honouring the meaning of the phrases.

Make sure you are rock solid with the exact wording of the Bible Byte. Don't try to reword things in this context. Just hammer the vocab from the phrase in as many ways and whatever sized bytes that you can. The complete phrase doesn't have to be used all the time, but just make sure that within snippets of the byte, you keep the words in the correct order.

Display the complete Bible Byte with correct wording and word order throughout your presentation. Just having it in the background is helpful. The aim of a Bible Byte is not to cleverly obscure the verse, or to keep the audience in suspense, but to make its presence strong and clear and its meaning evident.

Participation is a key to learning. So introduce opportunities for everyone to be involved and join in. Develop your body language and phrase vocabulary to naturally include all who are present, and be invitational in your style.

Use lots of eye contact with the audience.

Cross into the audience space and become a participant, even as you are leading. Slow the start of the sentence that you are inviting the audience to join in, and exaggerate those words.

"Let's hear it..." "Here we go..." "Everyone together...."