Patterns for Powerful Teaching

Pick a Principle



Before getting started, decide what you want the learner to do or believe after they are taught. How will what is taught change their actions (Principles) or beliefs (Doctrines)? Once you have decided *what* desired outcome you want them to get out of it, you can move on to the next four steps of *how* to teach.

Hook their Interest



Starting with a good question, object lesson, discussion, or understanding relevancy can capture a person's interest in the topic. Once you have raised their interest level, they will want to learn more about the subject you want to teach them.

Look For



Before giving people something to read, listen to, or watch, give them something to *look for*. This will keep their minds and interests engaged in that message.

Questions & Participation



People learn best when they play an active role. Questions should get people to try to figure out **what** is being said in the verses, analyze **why** it was said, and **apply** it to their own lives. With questions and participation we are also getting individuals to explain, share, and testify of what is taught.

Pound in the Principle



Now that the learner has been taught what they need to *know*, you will want to help inspire them so it become something they will *do*. Sharing experiences, testifying, challenging, and committing with follow up, all help to get a principle beyond the surface and into their hearts so it becomes part of their lives.