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Adult Education and Ministry

Tips and Ideas for Adult Workers and Ministers

If you have an Idea or tip that you would like to share, email us. We would love to hear from you! This is your part of the website. We invite you to participate!

The question...a versatile tool!

Adults are sometimes the hardest group to teach when it comes to using new ideas and methods to get their attention and make sure that they are learning. The most common form of check-up is the question. There is an art to asking a questions. They can be a marvelous tool to help you to get to the point and make your class think. and to help them learn.

There are different types of questions designed to solicit different responses. With a little practice you can lead and guide your class into more meaningful discussions and deeper study of the Bible. Remember, the questions you use need to be prepared beforehand. Use them to draw your class to a predetermined goal.

The following is a general classification of questions you may find useful:

- **Personal** - not invading a person's privacy, but asking the person to incorporate their experiences, values, and beliefs into the discussion by offering an opinion based on these things.
- **Evaluative / Analytical** - these are questions in which we seek to use known information to form an opinion.
- **Information / Memory Recall** - this is the simple recollection of facts gained from reading, hearing, or experiencing.
- **Application** - this type of question is used to see if the student can make an application of a Biblical text or truth.
- **Comprehension** - these questions are used to check to see if the material or subject matter is being understood by the audience

Here is what you can do with a question:

1. Explore the commitments and beliefs of persons.
2. Interview a guest or resource person.
3. Brainstorm to solve a problem or issue.
4. Introduce a new subject.
5. Stimulate a discussion on a familiar subject.
6. Interpret a Bible passage.
7. Motivate to further research a subject.
8. Analyze a problem.
9. Challenge a person's faith.
10. Connect biblical truths to daily living.
11. Review a previous lesson.
12. Consider alternate views or actions.
13. Test a person's understanding of a subject.
14. Evaluate.

15. Solicit feedback.
16. Guide the discussion of the class.

Guidelines for asking questions:

1. Ask one question at a time.
2. Ask more open ended questions. (Don't ask too many questions that require a "yes" or "no")
3. Accept student responses as if they were gifts.
4. Always follow up with probing questions.
5. Encourage your students to ask their own questions.
6. Inquire but don't interrogate. Don't make the student feel like that he or she is on trial.
7. Do not trap a person with a question in a manner that will make him or her embarrassed.

Have a great idea? Share it with us!

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