A Quick and Dirty Bible Study Method for Busy Teachers

1. Read the passage at least 3 times (5 is better)

2. Underline verbs and Circle nouns.

3. Identify passage type (prose, poetry, narrative, parable, etc.)

4. Ask questions: Who ? What? When? Where? How? Why?

5. Write a one-sentence "Central Message"

6. Answer the following:

   How does this passage apply to people in general?

   How does this passage apply to me in particular?

   How does this passage apply to the learners in my class?

Children's Lesson

Mark 1:4-11

4   And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.
5   The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.
6   John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.
7   And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.
8   I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."
9   At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.
10   As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.
11   And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Q.A.D.B.S.

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Youth Lesson

Eph 2:19-22

19   Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household,

20   built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

21   In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.

22   And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

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Adults Lesson

Psalm 24:1-10

1　　The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

2　　for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.

3　　Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place?

4　　He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.

5　　He will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God his Savior.

6　　Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob. Selah

7　　Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

8　　Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

9　　Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

10　　Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD

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