

Great Classroom Idea



Grade level: Elementary/Middle School

Subject (if applicable): Bible

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| <input type="checkbox"/> lesson plan | <input type="checkbox"/> project-based teaching/activity idea |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> science demo or experiment | <input type="checkbox"/> critical thinking strategy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> assessment tool | <input type="checkbox"/> original classroom game |
| <input type="checkbox"/> relationship-building idea | <input type="checkbox"/> other: <u>memory device</u> |

Description: (attach supplementary materials if needed)

Bible: *Memory Verses and Prayers*

1. Putting memory verses to song aids in a more permanent hiding in the heart.
2. Have each student purchase their own Bible in the translation you have chosen for their memory verses (or give them a gift Bible). Ideally, teachers across the grades would agree to one translation so that every year all memory verses get highlighted.

Doing this encourages students to review scriptures every year since the highlighted portions tend to jump out at them when they are looking up new verses. They will soon realize how many verses they've learned. They are more likely to feel more personally connected to the Word of God and this gives them a tool for sharing scriptures with family and friends.

3. The ABC (and other Christian bookstores) sell some nice books of prayers for kids. For one of your prayer times during the school day, have students take turns reading a prayer. This models a variety of prayers to the whole class and reassures students who are not used to public (or private) prayer.
4. Consider closing the school day with a scripture song or a benediction and response.

Examples:

The Cares Chorus

Teacher: "I will lift my eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help."

Students: "My help cometh from the Lord who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 121)

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