

# "I Want To Teach"

## *Lesson 1, Prayer*

A leader in the church has noticed that you have great qualities for a Bible class teacher. Or maybe you have decided you want to be a teacher of GOD's word because of the wonderful example of a Bible class teacher that you once had. No matter what the reason the desire is there, so what do you do now?

It is an awesome responsible. Teaching the Word of GOD to precious souls should be approached soberly. If we have the ability and the opportunity we have the responsibility. The opportunity is ever present and the ability is just a matter of learning how to proceed. In the next few months we will make some suggestions for helping you grow in this area. Each month we will present an area of teaching that will hopefully assist you in developing your own lessons from GOD's word to teach the souls in your care.

1. ***Does GOD expect us to become teachers of His word?***

YES! "For when for the time you ought to be teachers..." is how the writer of Hebrews puts it in Hebrews 5:12. This writer is pointing out the need for Christians to study and grow skillful in the word of righteousness. Once we have knowledge and skill we have a responsibility to teach, by word, actions and daily example.

2. ***Where do I start?***

First and always a child of GOD begins with PRAYER! Ask GOD's help, seek His wisdom, knock on His door to understand what He wants you to do. (Matthew 7:7). GOD knows our needs before we even ask – (Matthew 6:8). He ever waits to respond to His children's requests.

Pray for your self. Ask for wisdom (James 1:5); ask for patience (2 Peter 1:5-8), and understanding (Proverbs 1:5). Pray for your students. Present each one by name before the Father's throne. Pray before class, during class and after class. Thank God for the opportunity and blessing to have influence on the precious souls in your care.

Watch next month for suggestions about the 'lesson topic'.