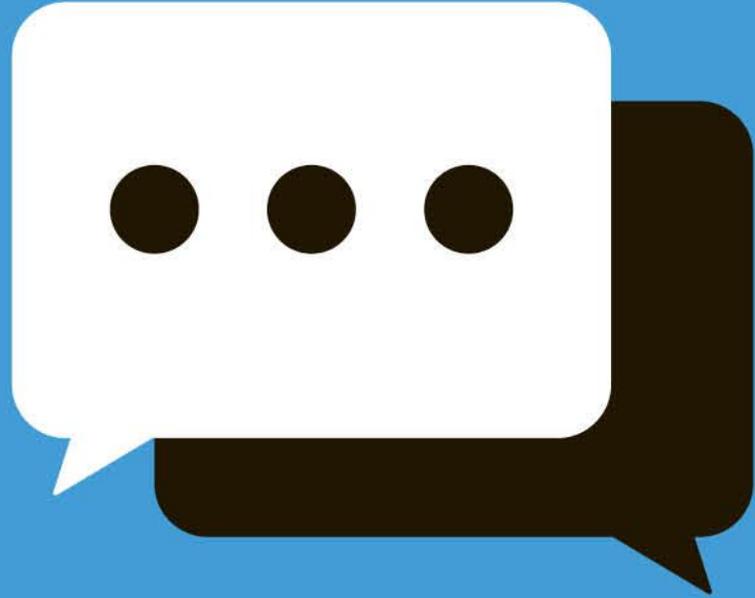


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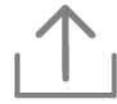
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# ***Bible Point***

*Retweeting is sharing someone else's words. Similarly, teaching a Bible study is all about allowing the Word of God to speak for itself.*

*In this lesson we will share practical principles for giving a basic Bible study.*

***Scripture:** **Romans 10:17***

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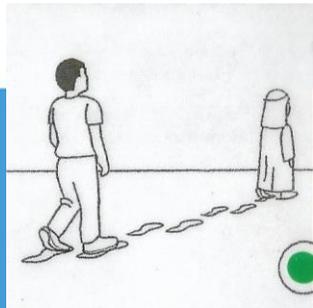
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## **Read Romans 10:17**

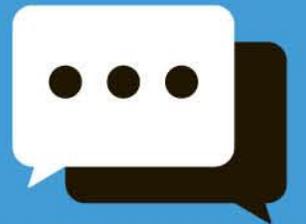
*Twitter is one of the most popular social media platforms available today. It is considered a micro-blog, where people document their lives in no more than 280 character. The entire goal is to say something meaningful as concisely as possible.*

*Because of the character-length limit, the cleverest post (**called tweets**) can be incredibly quotable. If you see a tweet you really like, you can share it using the **retweet** feature.*

*When you retweet something, it will share the original author's exact words. It will also give the author credit for the tweet. Those who follow you and see the retweet and like it can then follow the author and see what else this person has to say.*



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# *Retweeting Jesus*

*This is what we do when we share the Word of God in a Bible study. **While sharing our testimony is sharing how the gospel impacted us, sharing Scripture allows Jesus to speak for Himself.***

*As we share Scripture with our friends and loved ones, they have an opportunity to see the thoughts, feelings, and heartbeat of the Author. We can tell them about Jesus, but when they read the Bible, they get to see what Jesus has to say about Himself.*

*People must be exposed to the Bible if they are going to have an opportunity to believe it.*

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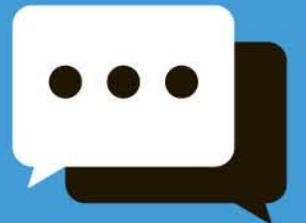


# *The Responsibility of the Message*

*Why is the original author included in a retweet? Because the author is the one who owns the quote. If you retweet something and someone does not like it, you can point back to the original author.*

*Similarly, when we share the Word of God with others, we must remember these are not our words. If someone does not like what the Bible says, you can point them to the Author. As a result, **we are not responsible for whether someone receives the message; we are only responsible for being willing to share it.***

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# Too Young?

*Many students feel they are too young to teach a Bible study. There may be many reasons why you feel that way:*

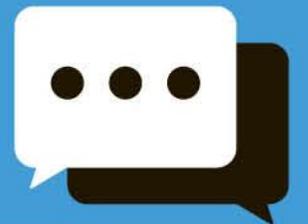
- *Perhaps the only person you have seen teach is an adult*
- *Perhaps the lessons are intimidating*
- *Perhaps you have been asked a question that you could not answer*
- *Perhaps you think a Bible study must be long and formal*
- *Perhaps you have another reason all together*



*The truth, though, is that all of us who are disciples of Jesus are called to go and make other disciples by teaching them the Word of God (**Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47**).*

**You are not too young to teach a Bible Study.** *If you have been baptized in the name of Jesus and filled with His Spirit you have everything you need to be an effective witness.*

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# *Where do I Begin?*

**Start at the Beginning:** Once we take that first step of faith and offer a Bible study to someone, then we can keep taking steps of faith as the Lord leads us. There are some basic guidelines we can follow to help make the process easier.

**Attend a Bible Study:** Each Bible study is as unique as the person being taught. Sitting through several Bible studies can give you confidence that it is not as intimidating to teach one as you may think.

**Pick Out a Bible Study:** There are many in-depth Bible studies you can teach. **There are also several effective one-lesson Bible studies you can teach.** These studies typically jump right into the plan of salvation or other topics. Consider meeting with a spiritual leader in the church whom you trust and ask them about resources.

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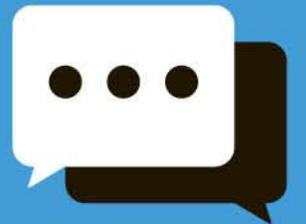


# *Teaching a Bible Study*

**Teach the Bible Study to Someone in Church:** Teaching a Bible study to someone who is already in church is a great way to get the nervousness out and get some honest feedback on areas you can improve. You can teach a peer, a parent, a sibling, or even one of the leaders in your church.

**Teach the Bible Study to Someone Not in Church:** You may be nervous your first time, and that is okay. ***Faith is not the absence of fear; it is setting fear aside and trusting Jesus anyway.***

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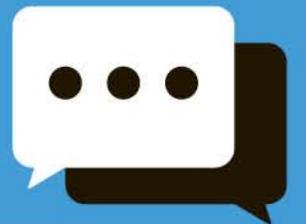
# Explore

*Have you ever typed something on social media, and then you deleted it and typed it again in a different way? It helps us to think through what we want to say. What would you say to someone to whom you want to teach a Bible Study?*

- What intimidates you about teaching a Bible study?***
- What excites you about teaching a Bible study?***
- Who is someone in church with whom you can practice?***



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# Expand

*Most things in life are difficult the first time we do them. We didn't learn how to ride a bike without falling off a few times. Most of us had training wheels on our bike before we even tried the two-wheeled version. Anything we intend to do for God is no different. We may feel like we must do an awesome job the very first time because the work of God is so important.*

*However, just like with anything else, it will take time and practice to do a good job teaching others about Jesus. Start with our "training wheels" on by practicing with others. Give yourself permission to "fall off the bike" a few times by not explaining something well or not having an answer for a question you are asked. It's all part of the growth process. **The most important thing in this: keep getting back on the bike.***



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