

Focus Points

"Focus Points" are short activities that draw students into the lesson. They take only a few minutes to do. Many can be used as quick-start activities to engage the students and focus their attention at the beginning of class. Others may fit well during the lesson to reinforce a point and drive it home. Still others may serve as good wrap-up activities. "Focus Points" come in many forms. Choose and use them as you see fit.

Focus Point – God's Great and Precious Promises

Here is a start-up activity to use when you study God's promises to Abraham. Display the riddle where your students will see it when they come to class. As soon as they arrive, tell them to read the rhymes and answer the question.

Give them about a minute of think time and then let them explain what the rhyming lines are about.

What are these rhyming lines about?

First given to Abram before he left Ur (Acts 7:2-3),
At Shechem one would later recur (Genesis 12:6-7).

Repeated when Abram parted from Lot (Genesis 13:14-17),
And again when Abram bowed on the spot (Genesis 17:3-8).

When Isaac was offered, again it occurred (Genesis 22:15-18),
And Abraham knew: God's as good as His Word (Romans 4:20-21).

Come back to the riddle later. Look up the passages and identify what God promised to Abraham on each occasion.