

# Qualifications for Sunday School Teachers

Every teacher will want to do the best job possible because the life of the teacher is the life of his lessons. Therefore, it is necessary that each teacher fits biblical qualifications.

## **1. Be Spiritual**

- a. Is a BORN AGAIN believer (John 1:12, 3:7; Philippians 1:6)
- b. Dedicated and separated from the world (Romans 12:2)
- c. Gift to teach (Ephesians 4:11)
- d. Strength to do ... teach Sunday School (Ephesians 3:16-17; Philippians 4:13)
- e. Consistent personal devotion – reading the Word of God (2 Timothy 3:15-17)
- f. Lead a consistent prayer life (Jeremiah 29:13; 1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- g. Strive for maturity (1 John 1:8-10; Philippians 3:17a)
- h. Faithful in the church programmes / services (Hebrews 10:25)
- i. Main goal in life – to glorify God (Ecclesiastes 12:13b)

## **2. Be Christ-centred or Christ-like**

- a. Display the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23)
- b. Exhibit a vibrant, exuberant Christianity

## **3. Be educationally prepared**

- a. A Bible Student (2 Timothy 2:15)
  - Knowledge of the Word of God
  - Interest in Bible Study
  - Read Christian literature
- b. Sunday School teachers who expect to be successful must train to

- Learn new methods of teaching
- Learn to know the nature of the students
- Learn how to deal with problems in the lives of the students
- Learn how to guide them into a better Christian life

#### **4. Be personally disciplined**

##### a. Personality

The way we live affects the students, ie our lives be consistent with our lesson plan

##### b. Appearance and Attitude

Neat and pleasing (not grouchy and ill-tempered)

##### c. A disciplined life eg predictability

Regular in attendance, punctual

#### **5. Be inspirational**

##### a. Ability to inspire those whom he / she teaches

##### b. Have a zest for living eg through social and out of classroom gatherings

##### c. Wholesome interest in life eg interest in the student's life (contact students)

##### d. John 10:10