



On using media with a Bible lesson:

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"I've done it the other way round...

taught a lesson,

then played a song/video clip that points out the Biblical principle,

then we've talked about it

Reinforces the study, but puts the emphasis on the written word and sets the example that we read the word (and pray the Holy Spirit illumines it to us) before we let someone-else define it in art or teaching. It really makes the study stick and the discussion clarifies and allows them to relate it to their personal lives."

I do this often. Partly, because music and movie quotes run through my head constantly. Partly, because I know it works. Students remind me of past lessons when we chat.

Notes:

1. Know your Scripture first. Read it over and over and ask the Holy Spirit to teach you.
2. Write your lesson or use one someone else has put together that you can trust: try out the KDB devotional materials, ours are free.
3. Know your audience: what music styles move them (not away from you, either :)
4. Know your lyrics: whatever music you will choose, get to know the lyrics of the song really well. Get the lyrics off the CD booklet, or try a good lyrics site and read them well.
5. Be aware of copyright laws. No music stealing or distributing.
6. Use Christian bands often, before, during, and after meetings to make students familiar with the music: in worship, study and play-time, so they can sing-a-long.

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