

What Bible Classes Need

The Bible Classes for Different Age Groups
Used by Most Local Churches,
Including Prattmont

First and foremost...

- They **need** to be seen as vitally important to the work of the local church.
- If NOT, it's useless to talk about other needs.
- What if only a handful of members see their importance?
- Three different things Bible classes need, all of which relate to seeing their importance.

Need #1

- They need the active/involved support of elders.
 - Example carries a lot of weight. 1 Peter 5:2–3.
 - Interest, planning, encouragement, their own participation.
 - What should **feed** their interest is a desire to **feed** the souls of the flock. 1 Peter 5:2; John 21:15–17.
 - Food able to make them complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

Need #2

- They need dedicated, conscientious teachers.
 - In word and deed. 1 Timothy 4:16.
 - Prepared, able to relate Bible truth to the level of their students. John 16:12.
 - Teachers who “affectionally long” for souls (1 Thess. 2:8); “willing to spend and be spent” (2 Cor. 12:15).
 - James 3:1.

Need #3

- They need concerned and involved parents.
 - Typically, the attitude of parents will be reflected in their children.
 - For example, if they see school studies as more important. 2 Timothy 3:15.
 - Make sure they're prepared—done their lessons, know some things beyond the questions asked.