

## How to teach parts of the Bible that aren't stories

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Q Why do we normally teach stories to under 11s?



Q What are some of the downsides to that?

### Reasons to teach the other two thirds:

- The Bible assumes we will

“You know how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.” (2 Timothy 3:15)

Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. (Deuteronomy 6:7)

- “We've done this before”
- Conversations over Sunday lunch
- Themes that don't come up in stories
- (It makes us do our own, fresh work)
- It works!

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### Tips for teaching the other two thirds:

- There are lots of ways you can bring in a story
  - [wordaliveevent.org](http://wordaliveevent.org) – Robin Barfield
  - [kidswise.com.au/downloads/free-samples](http://kidswise.com.au/downloads/free-samples) (Sandy Galea)
  - Faith in Kids on James (coming soon!)
  - Wise Words, Peter Leithart
  
- Make use of minsters/preachers
  
- Start with a short burst
  
- Narrow focus or wide lens
  
- Make the big thing the big thing
  
- Let the style of the book be the style of your teaching
  
- Don't let a lack of game/craft ideas stop you!

#### For example – Titus 1

**Theme:** Paul was sent by God to preach God's hope to all people (v2-3)

**Aim:** That we do not listen when people say God's hope is only for good people (v10-11)

