



Dear Christian Educator,

**Re: Introducing Reality Bites, a new Christian worldview course for teenagers**

It is my privilege to introduce to you *Think Christianity's* new Christian worldview course for teenagers, called *Reality Bites*. This course is not only fun, exciting and stimulating for students, but rewarding for teachers as well. It involves games, activities, discussions, bible studies and movie clips, as well as lots of important and interesting things to learn. Each lesson is self-contained, with well-prepared teacher's notes and student handouts to make the task of teaching as easy as possible. While a prior understanding the material might assist, it is not at all necessary.

Developed right here in Australia, we've poured our heart, soul and mind into producing material that we believe facilitates a transformation of understanding and attitude toward God.

As you would know, the Bible emphasises the importance of both of these things. For non-Christians, the profound change of attitude toward God is called "repentance," which literally means a "change of mind." This process doesn't stop for Christians, with a charge to "be transformed" by the ongoing renewal of our minds. In a deliberate way, both in principle and in practice, we continually reject worldly standards (Rom 12:2a). Attention to the mind is therefore imperative for all, pursuing knowledge of what's true and false, and how to distinguish between them. Such perspectives create opportunities for transformation and renewal, as we respond by embracing God's truth, which is to reject what is false and disobedient.

With this biblical emphasis in mind, *Reality Bites* has been contoured as a journey from first principles to a mature and applied faith, having a sensitivity to both Christian and non-Christian teenagers. Its structure is highly strategic, and its methodology derives from a biblical understanding of today's unique influences upon young people.

Please find enclosed a brief overview of the course, a sample lesson and a sample student newsletter. In different ways, these will contribute to giving you a broad picture of what this course is like.

***Reality Bites* takes young people seriously.** We confront the stereotype of irrelevance, by demonstrating in specific terms how Christianity is *real* and life-changing, with powerful application to any situation, including their school life. At every turn we uproot false ideas or prevent them from taking root, all the while carefully rolling out a presentation of the Christian message that makes complete sense in its proper context.

I trust that the more you learn about this course, the more you'll be excited by it. Developing it has really been a privilege for us all here at *Think Christianity*, and we would love to support you in any plans you might have to run *Reality Bites* in your church or school. Please do contact me with any questions or feedback you may have, or simply to indicate your interest so that we can discuss your particular situation. You may know others who might be interested too, and if that's the case please feel free to arrange for us to be in touch.

Thoughtfully for Christ,

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