Chapter 17

Theme:
The issue in this chapter is between using standardized tests and the things we do in the classroom. Many things we do in our school are as important as what is measured on standardized tests, but these things are never measured with standardized tests.

Single Best Quote:
The essence of education determines what happens in my classroom. Is it the syllabus or students?

Points:

1. Focus on behavior and do not let testing get in the way.
2. Do not complain about the tests.
3. Do not spread division concerning the philosophy or politics of standardized testing.
4. Deal with the fact the test are a mandate and you will have to use them.
5. Continue to do what is best for students.
6. Success on test will give you the freedom to keep doing what matters instead of slowing down to focus on the tests.

Self-evaluation and application as a:

- **Shop teacher –**

- **Bible teacher –**

- **Parent –**

- **Person –**

Questions/Criticisms/Evaluations/Comments of Whitaker's presentation or perspective: