

Evangelism Workshop – Part 1

Jesus Began His Ministry Evangelizing

Mark 1:14b – 15

14b ...Jesus came into Galilee, *proclaiming the gospel of God,*

15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; *repent and believe in the gospel.*”

What this Workshop is NOT

- This is *not* an effort to launch a new outreach program
 - There will be no signup sheet at the end
- This *is* an effort to develop a greater church culture for everyday evangelism.

What is Evangelism?

Definition: *Sharing the gospel message with the goal to persuade a response of faith in Jesus Christ*

- 1. Sharing the gospel message**
 - a. The gospel message is about more than just getting saved
 - b. Hearing the gospel is supposed to lead to a life of whole devotion and discipleship
- 2. With the goal to persuade a response of faith**
 - a. Not by a gimmick of manipulation or coercion
 - b. We aren't the ones who can bring about repentance and conversion in the heart
- 3. A response of faith in Jesus Christ**
 - a. We must be persuaded that Christ is their greatest need
 - b. Clarity about this will give us the courage to preach the true gospel

God Already Has a Wonderful Plan to Evangelize the World

John 13:35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 17:20 - 21

20 “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word,
21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

1st Thessalonians 1:5 – 8

5 because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit,

7 so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

8 For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia,
but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.



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Develop a Burden for the Lost

Jeremiah 20:9 If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

2nd Corinthians 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing.

Luke 19:10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Romans 10:14 **How** then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

Consider the Eternal Ramifications

Matthew 5:13 – 16

13 “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

14 “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.

15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.

16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Philippians 2:15b – 16a ...be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life,

