

Evangelism

INTRODUCTION

Why Evangelize?

1. We are commanded to in scripture. (Matthew 28:19-20)
2. It helps us in our faith. (Philemon 6)
3. Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost. We should follow His example.

METHODS

- The Bridge
- Personal Testimony
- Conversational Evangelism (Colossians 4:5-6)
- Relational Evangelism
- Roman Road (3:23; 6:23; 5:8; 10:9-10)
- *Share Jesus Without Fear*
- *Way of the Master*

KEY PRINCIPLES

1. Only the Holy Spirit draws a man, not our fancy words or illustrations. (John 6:44)
2. Prayer is vital. Nothing of our own effort will bring spiritual results. (John 15:5)
3. Christ's love should compel us, not numbers or our own reward. (2 Corinthians 5:14)
4. Your life should be the biggest witness. (if your actions don't back up your words, you cripple your witness and tarnish the reputation of the Kingdom of God.)
5. a living example is not enough; the Gospel and plan for salvation needs to be vocalized as well.
6. They should realize that the reason we accept Christ is because Christ is worth being followed, not because Hell is so awful.
7. You should establish relationships with lost people. Don't give up on someone because they reject the Gospel. It is a HUGE life-changing decision! It will take time! The average person hears the Gospel about seven times before accepting it.
8. Follow-up and discipleship are key after a person accepts Christ. (Matthew 28:19-20)

CONCLUSION

- Evangelism isn't an option. It's a command. Someone sacrificed for you to hear the Gospel. You should do the same.
- We have NO excuses not to share the Gospel. People around the world die for the sake of the Gospel. What sacrifice is it for you to share the Gospel in a free country.
- We have a gift. Some people have never heard the Gospel.
- You are never too young in your faith to evangelize.