

Evangelism Training

Evangelism is not:

- Converting souls/sinners
 - **John 6:44** No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.
 - 1 Corinthians 12:3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus [a]accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit
 - **1 Timothy 2:3-4** For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, **4** who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
 - **2 Peter 3:9** **3** This is good, and pleases God our Savior, **4** who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.
 - **Revelation 13:8** All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
- Leading someone in a prayer
- Inviting people to church
- Debating with people about their opinions about Jesus (that's apologetics)

Evangelism: the spreading of the Christian gospel by public **preaching** or **personal witness**. It is worship, it is the overflow of love and fellowship with the man Christ Jesus, it is the result of following the Spirit of God.

- Evangelism cannot be done on our own. It demands the power and spirit of the Lord (**John 15:5**). Don't do it without Jesus, don't just do it for Him, do it WITH HIM! It will deepen your relationship with Him. It is hard to have a bad day when you share the GOOD NEWS! -Brian Cochran
- Remember the POWER is in the GOSPEL itself...sharing the news, the words, the invitation of the gospel invokes the transforming power of God (Romans 1:16-17)
- DO NOT ASSUME PEOPLE HAVE HEARD ABOUT JESUS AND THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL.

Why do we evangelize: Because Jesus commanded us to.

Who is supposed to evangelize, just “EVANGELISTS or those who have the gift of evangelism”....no

- **Mark 16:15** And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. **16** He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.
- **Matthew 28:18-20** Go ^{therefore} and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.” Amen.

The Gospel is not:

- The philosophy or wisdom of man, the opinion of man
- Self help curriculum
- Man centered, it’s God centered
- Based on the works of man
- Merely a path to get out of hell and into heaven
- Another religious system

Gospel: the glad tidings (good news) of the kingdom of God soon to be set up, and subsequently also of Jesus the Messiah, the founder of this kingdom. After the death of Christ, the term comprises also the preaching of (concerning) Jesus Christ as having suffered death on the cross to procure eternal salvation for the men in the kingdom of God, but as restored to life and exalted to the right hand of God in heaven, thence to return in majesty to consummate the kingdom of God

- the glad tidings of salvation through Christ
- the proclamation of the grace of God manifest and pledged in Christ
- as the messianic rank of Jesus was proved by his words, his deeds, and his death, the narrative of the sayings, deeds, and death of Jesus Christ came to be called the gospel or glad tidings

How do we identify the success of Evangelism:

- Was the GOSPEL SHARED, WAS CHRIST (HIS LIFE, DEATH, RESURRECTION, ASCENSION AND PROMISE TO RETURN) EXALTED, WAS THE KINGDOM OF GOD ANNOUNCED AND DEMONSTRATED

Part 1:

- Sharing The Good News is all about a man and His victory...HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT JESUS AND HIS VICTORY??
 - **Who is Jesus?** --The Messiah (King and Savior)
 - **Mark 1** The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. **2** As it is written in ^[a]the Prophets: "Behold, I send My messenger before Your face, Who will prepare Your way before You." **3** "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; Make His paths straight.' "
 - **Luke 1:32** You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus (Jehovah is salvation). **32** He will be great and will be called the **Son of the Most High**. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, **33** and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."
 - **What did He do?** -- He modeled what it looks like to be a Son of God that is dependent upon the Spirit. He announced, brought and demonstrated the Kingdom of God. He raised up disciples to walk in and carry the same message and authority. He broke the power of sin, darkness and death. He took on the punishment for our sin on the cross. He died, was buried, three days later He resurrected, He then appeared to 500 in bodily form before ascending to the right hand of God. Through death He overcame the fear and power of death that sin caused. He sent the Holy Spirit to fill those who would follow Him and continue His mission of advancing the Kingdom of God on the earth until He returns and the Kingdom of Heaven is fully established here on earth.
 - **Matthew 4:23** Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people
 - **Mark 1:14-15** After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. **15** "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"
 - **Acts 10:38** How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.
 - **Matthew 10:7-8** As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' **8** Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy,^[a] drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

- **1 Corinthians 15:1-5** For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance^[a]: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, **4** that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, **5** and that he appeared to Cephas,^[b] and then to the Twelve.
- **1 Corinthians 15:55-57** “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”^[b] **55** “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”^[i] **56** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. **57** But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **Hebrews 2:14** Now since the children have flesh and blood, He too shared in their humanity, so that by His death He might destroy him who holds the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.
- **Acts 1:8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”
- **Matthew 25:31** “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne.
- **Why did He do it?** -- In obedience to His Father, for the purpose of His Father’s glory and as the necessary act to restore all that was lost (on behalf of humanity and creation).
 - **John 10:17-18** The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. **18** No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”
 - **John 17:1-4** After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. **2** For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. **3** Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. **4** I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. **5** And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.
 - **Genesis 1-3** We see God walking with man in a Garden

- Exodus 19 We see God coming down in fire and smoke and leading Israel personally by fire and smoke. Meeting with the priests in Moses Tabernacle
 - **2 Chronicles 6** Solomon dedicates the temple His Father King David instructed Him to build with the expectation for Him to dwell there in His glory
 - **John 1:14** we see Jesus come in the same pattern. And the Word became flesh and dwelt (tabernacle) among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.
 - **Revelation 21:1-3** Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. **2** Then I, [a]John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. **3** And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God. **4** And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."
- How it applies to our lives (Make the invitation, to repent, to put faith in Jesus Christ, to give their lives to Him and to follow Him) --Jesus alone can save, restore, and transform our lives. It is only by putting our faith in Him, giving our lives to Him, and following Him that we become children of God and partakers of His Kingdom.
- **Isaiah 59:2** But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that He will not hear.
 - **Romans 1:16-17** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. **17** For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last,[a] just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."
 - **Romans 3:23-24** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, **24** and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

- **Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin *is* death, but the ^{the}gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- **Romans 10:8-9** But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach): **9** that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.
- **Colossians 1:21** Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.
- **2 Corinthians 5:21** For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
- **Colossians 1:12-14** giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. **13** He has delivered us from the power of darkness and ^{and}conveyed *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love, **14** in whom we have redemption ^{and}through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. **19** For it pleased *the Father that* in Him all the fullness should dwell, **20** and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.
- **Acts 4:12** Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Part 2:

- Seeing the gospel in scripture (Old Testament)
 - **Genesis 12:1-3** Now the Lord had said to Abram: “Get out of your country, From your family And from your father’s house, To a land that I will show you.**2** I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. **3** I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”
 - **Galatians 3:8** And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel to Abraham beforehand, *saying*, “In you all the nations shall be blessed.” **9** So then those who *are* of faith are blessed with believing Abraham.
 - **Isaiah 40:9-11, 52:7-10, 61:1-2** God promises and announces a King for His Kingdom

he cannot be My disciple. **27** And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.

- **Luke 14:33** So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.
- **Luke 19:10-11** And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; **10** for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”
- **John 3:16-17** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. **17** For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.
- Seeing the gospel in scripture (New Testament epistles)
 - **Ephesians 2** (the whole chapter really)
 - **Titus 3:3-7** For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. **4** But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, **5** not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, **6** whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, **7** that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
- Pray through the gospel scriptures you find.
 - OT
 - Jesus’ words
 - NT epistles

Part 3:

- Sharing the gospel through your testimony
 - “Who I was before Jesus” “My encounter with Jesus” “How my life has been transformed since giving my life to Jesus”
 - **Acts 22:6-21** (Paul’s testimony)
- Choose one person you sense God leading you to share the gospel with.
 - Family member, co-worker, friend
 - Pray over them using scripture
 - Share the gospel with them
 - Share your testimony with them
 - Document the experience