

THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

WEEK 5: EVANGELISM

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INTRODUCTION: The 5 Arenas of The Christian Life



EXPLANATION & CLARITY: *What is Evangelism?*

1. **Defined:** The English word “Evangel-ism” is not found in the Bible. However, the Bible has a collection of words that we use to form our understanding and concept of Evangelism.

εὐαγγέλιον Euangelion: _____

εὐαγγελίζω Euangelizo: _____

εὐαγγελιστής Euangelistes: _____

Also: Martureo: To Testify, Bear Witness; Kerussa: To Herald, Preach; Parakaleo: To Exhort; Katangela: To Proclaim; Propheteuo: To Prophesy; Didaska: To Teach

Evangelism is what happens when we communicate the Gospel—the central message of Jesus Christ.
The bad news: there is an eternal consequence for our sinful human condition.
The good news: that Jesus came, not to condemn us, but to save us.
*For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but **to be its savior**. John 3:17 GNB*

2. **Misconceptions:**

3. **The Call & The Command:**

***Follow me**, and I will make you become fishers of men. Mark 1:17 ESV*

***Go** therefore and make disciples of all nations... Matt. 28:19 ESV*

*... **you will be my witnesses** in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the farthest parts of the earth. Acts 1:8 NET*

*[God] gave us the **ministry of reconciliation**...**we are ambassadors for Christ**, God making his appeal through us. 2 Corinthians 5:18, 20 ESV*

IMPORTANCE & URGENCY: *Why is Evangelism such a big deal?*

- Every human has sinned (Ecc. 7:20; Ps 14:1-3; 53:1-3; Rom 3:12; Ps 51:5; Rom 3:23; 5:12), and is under God's righteous indignation (Ps. 7:11) & pending wrath (Rom 1:18-3:20).

- The rightful penalty for sin is death (*Rom 6:23a*).
- Hell is real. (*Ps 9:17; 2 Thess 1:9; Matt 10:28; 13:42,50; 25:46; Rev 21:8*)
- God desires all people be saved (*1 Tim 2:4*), so God sent Jesus (*John 3:16,17*).

The facts of the Gospel:

- the Gospel is “*the power of God for salvation*” (*Rom 1:16; 10:13*)
- the Gospel is a free gift. (*Rom 6:23b*);
- the Gospel must be heard, believed and received by the sinner in order to be saved (*Rom. 10:13-15*).
- We are Christ’s ambassadors, entrusted with the message of reconciliation. (*2 Cor. 5:18-20*)
- THERE IS NO PLAN B! (*Matt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8*)
- Every Christian’s personal responsibility to evangelize has eternal implications. It matters!
- To be included in God’s cosmic plan of redemption is an enormous honor and privilege.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY: *How do I play my part in Evangelism?*

1. PRAY. *... grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word **with all confidence**. Acts 4:29*
2. PREPARE.
 - Know the Gospel and how to give a 3–5-minute testimony
 - Have a plan and direction you want to start a spiritual conversation
 - Memorize key gospel verses
3. PRIORITIZE. *We must **quickly carry out the tasks assigned to us** by the one who sent us. The night is coming, and then no one can work. John 9:4 -NLT*

POINTS TO PONDER: *What are you willing to do, so that the people you know will go to heaven?*

- Invite them to a VBC activity or the Sunday Celebration service.
- Share your testimony.
- Give them Christian literature, or a Bible.
- Take them out for coffee/meal to build a relationship.
- Pray for them every day until they receive Christ!

“THE ETERNAL SALVATION OF A SINGLE SOUL IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANYTHING ELSE YOU WILL EVER ACHIEVE IN LIFE.”

-Warren, WEHF_Made For A Mission

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Resource Page



SONGS

- “GLORIOUS DAY” – John Wilbur Chapman, Mark Hall, Michael Bleecker
- “GOD WITH US” – Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan
- “REIGN ABOVE IT ALL” – Ethan Hulse, Hannah McClure, Jess Cates, and Paul McClure
- “HOW HE LOVES” – John Mark McMillan

BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK:	\$ 40,606.37
WEEKLY NEED:	\$ 36,093.00
Y-T-D GIVING:	\$ 1,548,673.63
Y-T-D GENERAL NEED:	\$ 1,624,185.00