

IMPACTING YOUR WORLD

EVANGELISM TEAM TRAINING - NEW LIFE CHURCH CRAWLEY FEB 2023

Our Impressions of Evangelism

- The first word that comes to mind when I think of evangelism is.....
- I think the one crucial element in becoming an effective evangelist is.....

Misconceptions from Non-Christians about Evangelism.

- What negative thoughts or feelings might the word “evangelist” or “evangelism” raise for people?
- What is it that about some approaches that people might find they object to?
- What 2 parts to evangelism do Matthew 5v14-16 & Romans 10v17 illustrate we need to have?

Luke 10 - Jesus Model of Evangelism

1.

2.

3.

4.

DISCIPLES NOT DECISIONS

EASTER INVITES FOR 2023

QUESTIONNAIRE

RESOURCES

THE GIFT OF EVANGELISM

Literal Meaning: To bring good news

Description: The Gift of Evangelism is God's strength to effectively communicate the gospel to unbelievers so they respond in faith and move toward discipleship.

Distinctives: People with this Gift

- Communicate the message of Christ with clarity and conviction
- Seek out opportunities to talk to unbelievers about spiritual matters
- Challenge unbelievers to faith and to be wholehearted followers of Christ
- Adapt their presentation of the gospel to connect with the individual's needs
- Seek opportunities to build relationships with unbelievers

Traits:

- Sincere
- Candid
- Respected
- Influential
- Spiritual
- Confident
- Commitment-oriented

Cautions: People with this Gift

- Need to remember the Holy Spirit, not guilt, is the motivator in a person's decision for Christ
- Should avoid becoming critical of others by remembering that we are all "witnesses," but we are not all "evangelists"
- Need to listen carefully, because the same approach is not appropriate for everyone

References: Eph. 4: 11, Acts 8:26-40, Luke 19:1

The Variety of Evangelistic Styles in the New Testament

1. **DIRECT** Acts 2v37-40

2. **INTELLECTUAL** Acts 17v16-34

3. **TESTIMONIAL** John 9v13-34

4. **RELATIONAL** Mark 5v18-20

5. **INVITATIONAL** John 4v1-30, 39-42

6. **SERVICE** Acts 9v36-42

JOHN 4 EXERCISE

What lessons about evangelism do we learn from Jesus as he led the woman to understand who he was and why he came?

- willing to _____ to reach a person
- _____ as they are
- allow them to express their _____
- _____ as individual people
- point the way to _____ & release from _____
- use the _____ to _____ them
- introduce them _____

GETTING READY TO TELL YOUR STORY

*Why did Paul feel compelled to share the details of his life before his conversion?
(Acts 26:4-11)*

Why did Paul include the details of his conversion in his life story? (Acts 26:12-28)

How did Paul describe the purpose of his mission? (Acts 26:19-23)

According to the pattern in Paul's example, what should be included in our life story?

ON YOUR OWN:

How Would You Tell Your Story?

For next week fill out the sheet below. When it's completed, go back and write out your story in three main paragraphs. You should be able to read the paragraphs in 4-5 minutes in total.

Tips On Writing Your Story

- * Make it personal to you it's your story
- * Identify a theme that carries through all three paragraphs
- * Use ordinary language - ask yourself if a non-Christian would understand what you're saying?
- * Don't try to be sensational. It's not only dishonest, but you will fail to relate to ordinary people

Telling Your Story

The following questions are meant to help you form your ideas for your life story. When you write it out in full, you will be able to expand on these ideas.

Note: If you received Christ as a young child, start with question three.

What was your spiritual viewpoint before receiving Christ?

Before you met Christ, how did your spiritual state negatively affect your life and relationships? Use specific examples such as times of anger, loneliness etc.

How did you hear about the gospel message?

What was it about the message that affected you?

What was your response to that message?

How did you start your journey on the Christian faith?

Note: If you became a Christian as a child, the emphasis on the next two questions should be on the benefits Christ has made in your life compared to what it might have been like not knowing him, or times when you haven't been close to God.

How did your attitude and life change after coming to faith?

(You should show how the problem/spiritual state mentioned in the second question was resolved)

What other benefits have you experienced since coming to Christ? (Again use specific examples.)

What problems do you still struggle with, and how is God helping you to make a difference?

NOW WRITE OUT YOUR OWN STORY ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER IN THREE MAIN PARAGRAPHS USING THE OUTLINE ABOVE.

PEOPLE-SENSITIVE EVANGELISM

GROWTH SCALE

