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## **Lesson 8**

### Evangelism, Sharing your Faith

When Jesus first called Simon Peter and Andrew to be His disciples, they were fishermen. What did Jesus say to them as He called them in Matthew 4:19?

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In Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus is about to return to heaven after dying for our sins and rising from the dead and leaves his followers with one last command before He leaves. What is His last command?

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Was He addressing only the leaders of His followers or all His followers?

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Does His last command include you? \_\_\_\_\_

Another account of Jesus' followers receiving their last command from Jesus is found in

Mark 16:15-20. Verse 17 tells us that there will be \_\_\_\_\_ that follow those who believe. Jesus not only commanded us to go but He also gave us power over the enemy and to help people in need.

In Romans 1:14-16 what does Paul say of his relationship with the Greeks, the Barbarians, the wise and the unwise?

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He says this because he knows he owes them the opportunity to hear the Gospel. In 2 Corinthians 5:20 he gives us the title of our relationship with the world around us. What does he say that we are?

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This means that we are Christ's representatives to the world. It is through us that the people who don't know Him will see His love and hear of salvation. We have already established that we are commanded to share the Gospel, 2 Peter 3:9 tells us why God wants us to share with others. Why does He?

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It is God's love that sent Jesus, His love that saved us and it is also His love that compels us to share about Him with others.

In 1 Peter 3:15 we are told we need to be always ready to do what?

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According to Mark 8:38 what will happen if we are ashamed to share about Jesus?

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There are times when it seems that people don't want to hear or that they have no desire for the things of God; that should not stop us. Read 2 Timothy 4:2-5. We are instructed to

preach in \_\_\_\_\_ and out of \_\_\_\_\_. We should be ready to share at all times. There may be people who seem ripe and ready to hear the Gospel and others who seem "out of season". We should share with them either way because we don't know what God will do with the seeds that we planted in their heart.

Verse 5 of 2 Timothy 4 we are to endure \_\_\_\_\_ and do the work of an \_\_\_\_\_.

We may encounter persecution but what does Jesus say about that in Matthew 5:11-12?

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In Luke 4:18-19 Jesus said He is anointed to do what?

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God, His Father sent and anointed Him to do those things. As Jesus was praying in John 17:18 how does He say that we are sent?

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So, we have the same commission and anointing that Jesus had.

According to Luke 12:11-12 why don't we need to be concerned about what we will say to people?

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While He was here on earth there were times that He sent His disciples out to minister. Luke 10:1-12 gives us one account of Him sending them out. In verse one does He send them out alone or with a partner? \_\_\_\_\_

The first instruction He gives them is in verse two of Luke 10. Before going out, we should

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According to verses 8-9 what should we do in an area that receives us?

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According to verses 10-12 what should we do in an area that does not receive us?

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Everything we do should be done in love as we have learned earlier that God is love and we are His representatives. Read Luke 9:51-56. Jesus disciples didn't have a good response to rejection of the Gospel. How did Jesus respond to them in verse 55?

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We need to be careful that we are of a good spirit, responding as He would to people. Jesus is our ultimate example on how to minister to people. We are now going to read two examples of Jesus ministering to an individual. Read John 3:1-21, the account of Nicodemus, and John 4:3-39, the account of the woman at the well.

Did Jesus say the same thing to both of them?  Yes.  No. Remember Luke 12:11-12. The Holy Spirit knows each person's heart and can reveal to us what we need to say.

Nicodemus was old and religious, and religious people think that they are okay, so what did Jesus talk to him about (John3:3-4)?

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The woman at the well was a woman with a bad reputation and most likely shunned by her society. That is why she was getting water in the afternoon unlike the other women who drew their water in the morning. He first got her attention in John 4:7-9 by simply doing what?

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He used the simple object of water to present what God had for her in verses 10-14. He then surprised her by something the Holy Spirit revealed to Him about her in verses 16-18. Their conversation came to a close with a theological question. Jesus didn't reject her or her question. What was the outcome in verses 29-30 and 39?

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Jesus is our ultimate example, but we can also follow the example of others in the Bible. In Acts 21:8 we find someone who is called an evangelist, Philip. Read Acts 8:5-8.

What did Philip preach to them (verse 5)? \_\_\_\_\_

Read Acts 8:26-40. According to verse 29 who told him to join the man in the chariot?

\_\_\_\_\_ So, not only does He tell us what to say, He also shows us where to go. Philip goes on to share the simple Gospel message with the Ethiopian Eunuch and he receives salvation. The Gospel is a simple message. It is good to be familiar with it so that you can be ready to share with others.

The "Romans Road" is one way to share the Gospel in a few steps.

- 1) Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"
- 2) Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
- 3) Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
- 4) Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."
- 5) Romans 10:9-10, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

The Apostle Paul shares the Gospel Message in Acts 26:1-32. Who is his audience?

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In verses 4-16 whose story of receiving salvation does he share?

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Following Paul's example, sharing what has personally happened to us through Jesus is an effective way to share the Gospel.

Finally, a way to find out if someone is really saved is to ask them if they know if they will go to heaven when they die. If they say no, then you can share how to ensure a place in heaven. If they say they aren't sure, you can say that they can know for sure by receiving salvation through Jesus (Romans 10:9-10). If they say yes, ask them how they know that they are going to heaven. If they say, "I'm a good person" or "I go to church" then you know that they really don't know the way and can share that it is only through Jesus that we can get to heaven.

You can share the Gospel in conversation with people and by giving out Gospel tracts. We've included a tract that you can share with someone with this lesson. We encourage you to use it to "do the work of an evangelist." Remember if they reject you it is not you who is rejected rather it is Christ who they are rejecting. And no matter what we see,

according to Isaiah 55:11 God's word will not return unto Him \_\_\_\_\_

but it will \_\_\_\_\_.

Recommended Reading:

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