

GO & TELL




Evangelism Training

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SESSION 1

WHY AND WHY NOT

BIG IDEA



The goal of this first session is to help you identify and overcome some of the fears and excuses that many Christians have about going and telling others about Jesus.

INTRODUCTION

“I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:18-20).

Let's Talk:

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SESSION 1

7 Reasons We Don't Go and Tell Others About Jesus

1. They don't want to hear it.
2. I don't know what to say.
3. What if they say no?
4. What if I lose a friend?
5. They have probably already heard.
6. They know I go to church.
7. I need to build a relationship first.

Let's Talk:

Which of these excuses resonated with you the most and why? How can you use the responses to overcome your fears?

3 Reasons We Must Go and Tell Others About Jesus

1. He loves us.

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

2. He commands us.

"I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:18-20).

3. He empowers us.

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

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SESSION 2

HOW AND HOW NOT

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The goal of this second session is to give you some ways to prepare yourself to tell others about Jesus so that you're ready when the opportunity comes.

INTRODUCTION

6 Ways You Can Prepare to Go and Tell Others About Jesus

1. Know your story.

Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it (1 Peter 3:5).

- My life before Jesus
- How I met Jesus
- The difference Jesus has made

2. Pray for opportunities and boldness.

3. Look for people God has already put in your path.

4. Memorize Scripture.

5. Know your audience.

6. Understand the potential.

Let's Talk:

Which of these six ways to prepare do you currently do best? Which areas need the most improvement?

SESSION 2

6 Wrong Approaches to Telling Others About Jesus

1. The Live It Out approach.

*How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ (**Romans 10:14, 17**).*

2. The One-Sided Conversation approach.

3. The Winning an Argument approach.

4. The Grass is Greener approach.

5. The Get Into Heaven approach.

6. The Seal the Deal approach.


Let's Talk:

Why do you think so many people use these wrong approaches? Which one frustrates you the most? What other wrong approaches have you seen?

SESSION 3

WHAT TO SAY

BIG IDEA



The goal of this session is to give you some practical ways to share the gospel. We will also give you the opportunity to practice sharing your story with another person.

INTRODUCTION

Sharing the Gospel

Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ. When I was with the Jews, I lived like a Jew to bring the Jews to Christ. When I was with those who follow the Jewish law, I too lived under that law. Even though I am not subject to the law, I did this so I could bring to Christ those who are under the law. When I am with the Gentiles who do not follow the Jewish law, I too live apart from that law so I can bring them to Christ. But I do not ignore the law of God; I obey the law of Christ. When I am with those who are weak, I share their weakness, for I want to bring the weak to Christ. Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some. I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings. (1 Corinthians 9:19-23).

The Romans Road

1. Everyone has sinned.

*As the Scriptures say, “No one is righteous—not even one. No one is truly wise; no one is seeking God. All have turned away; all have become useless. No one does good, not a single one.” ... For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard (**Romans 3:10-12, 23**).*

2. The price of sin is death.

*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord (**Romans 6:23**).*

3. While we were sinners, Christ died for us.

*But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners (**Romans 5:8**).*

4. We receive eternal life through confessing and believing.

*If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved ... For “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (**Romans 10:9-10, 13**).*

SESSION 3

Let's Talk:

Come up with a creative way to use the Romans Road to share the gospel with different groups of people (Examples: a group of kids, a co-worker who grew up going to church but hasn't been back in years, your teenager's friends).

The Four Spiritual Laws

Law #1: God loves you and offers a wonderful plan for your life.

God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (Romans 3:10-12, 23).

I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly (John 10:10).

Law #2: Man is sinful and separated from God. Therefore, he cannot know and experience God's love and plan for his life.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).

The wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23).

Law #3: Jesus Christ is God's only provision for man's sin. Through Him, you can know and experience God's love and plan for your life.

God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

Christ died for our sins... He was buried... He was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve After that He appeared to more than five hundred... (1 Corinthians 15:3-6).

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father but through Me" (John 14:6).

Law #4: We must individually receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; then we can know and experience God's love and plan for our lives.

As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name (John 1:12).

By grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as result of works that no one should boast (Ephesians 2:8-9).

Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him (Revelation 3:20).

Let's Talk:

What are some pros and cons to using this approach? Why do you think it is important for someone to understand Spiritual Law #1 before they even hear the other three?

SESSION 3

Sharing Your Story

You might want to jot down some notes:

- My life before Jesus
- How I met Jesus
- The difference Jesus has made

Blank lined paper for writing.

Let's Talk:

Pair up with another person in your group and take turns sharing your story with one another in three minutes or less. Use the stopwatch/timer feature on your phone.

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Commissioning from Pastors Todd and Julie



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