

What Is So Scary About Evangelism . . . And How Do You Overcome Those Fears?

Most believers admit that they do not speak to others about Christ with any consistency.
Ask the question, "Why don't you?" and they will answer in one word:

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

What are we afraid of? One or all of four items frighten us. They are:

I. I do not know how to _____ to spiritual things.

A. What's the problem?

1. The wrong _____.

a. You begin by _____, not talking.

The goal is to get them talking while YOU listen!

b. You begin by _____ up, not _____ up.

c. The flow of the conversation must be _____,
not _____.

That's why for some people it will take longer to turn the conversation
than for others.

B. What's the solution?

1. _____ the conversation.

Talk about three areas:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

2. Let _____ direct the flow of the conversation.
 - a. Be open and responsive to whatever He wants to do.
 - b. Pray as you listen and listen as you pray.

Ask God for two things: _____ and _____.

3. _____ from experience.

The more you do it, the easier it becomes. Your repertoire of transitions increases.

4. As you listen and talk, _____ that determine if this conversation might be an open door for the gospel.

- *What do you think the future holds for most of us?*
- *Do you think people today are more worried and confused than they used to be?*
- *Why do you think the problems in the world seem to be getting worse, not better?*

5. Move the conversation from the _____ to the _____ to the _____.

- *Do you enjoy reading about religious topics or subjects?*
- *Have you attended or become involved in any church in this area?*
- *Have you ever examined some of the teachings of the Bible?*



- *Don't you think that the most important thing of all is that we know for certain where we are going when we die?*
- *Has anybody ever taken a Bible and shown you how you can know? May I?*

II. I do not know _____ to present the gospel.

A. What's the problem?

1. You may not have clear in your mind the message of the gospel and the meaning of "saving faith."
 - a. The message of the gospel is Christ _____ for our sins and _____ from the dead.

For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.

1 Cor. 15:3-4

b. The meaning of saving faith is: _____ in Christ alone to save you.

Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.

John 6:47

2. You have never learned a _____.

Anyone consistent in evangelism has a basic method he uses.

B. What's the solution?

Learn the _____ / _____ approach to presenting the gospel.

It has freed up thousands to talk about the Savior with clarity and confidence.

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III. I may not be able to answer their _____ and _____.

A. What's the problem?

1. A failure to understand your _____ responsibility.

God is not asking you to _____ the gospel; He's simply asking you to _____ it.

And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

1 Cor. 2:1-2

2. A tendency to forget _____ people are brought to Christ.

And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

1 Cor. 2:4-5

3. A misunderstanding of _____ people often ask questions and raise objections.

a. They have not received a clear presentation of the gospel.

b. They are putting up what is commonly referred to as a “smoke screen.”

B. What’s the solution?

1. Take the _____, not the _____.
2. Keep the conversation centered on the _____.
3. Make each situation a _____ experience.

Dawson Trotman once said, “They may catch me once, but they’ll never catch me twice with the same question.”

4. Be willing and unashamed to say, _____.

IV. I don’t know where I would find the time and I don’t know how to _____ a new Christian.

A. What’s the problem?

1. You have taken responsibility upon yourself that biblically is placed upon the _____.

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-13

2. You may have failed to look at your time and resources from _____.

For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For you are our glory and joy.

1 Thess. 2:19-20

3. You have overlooked a foundational principle of follow-up. A new believer needs _____ more than he needs your _____.
4. You have overlooked the abundance of Christian _____.

B. What's the solution?

1. Arrange to meet with the new believer _____ for eight weeks.

-or-

Find another believer who could do the same.

2. Let the abundant availability of resources _____ you.

Suggestions: *Welcome to the Family*
 Growing in the Family
 31 Days to Living as a New Believer

(Check out all of EvanTell's tools and resources for evangelism and follow-up at act111.christianbook.com)

THE ISSUE IS NEVER ARE YOU AFRAID? or WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF?

but, instead

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO OVERCOME THOSE FEARS?

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