

“The ABCs of Evangelism” Outline

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
- Acts 1:8

WITNESS (wit'nes) *n.* 1. one who has seen or heard something 2. one who gives evidence *v.* to serve as or furnish evidence of

What Is Evangelism?

Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.
- Acts 8:4

1. Evangelism is the process of communication.

... explaining and proving that the Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead. 'This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Christ,' he said.
- Acts 17:3

2. Evangelism produces spiritual life.

Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
- Acts 2:41-42

3. Evangelism is sharing the good news.

For 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.
- John 3:16

4. Evangelism is only effective when a person commits to a relationship with Christ.

"It could be that one of the greatest hindrances to evangelism today is the poverty of our own experience in evangelism."
- Billy Graham

A Working Definition of Evangelism:

1. Evangelism must be done by the family of God.

2. Methods of outreach change frequently.

3. New converts is the worthy goal of evangelists.

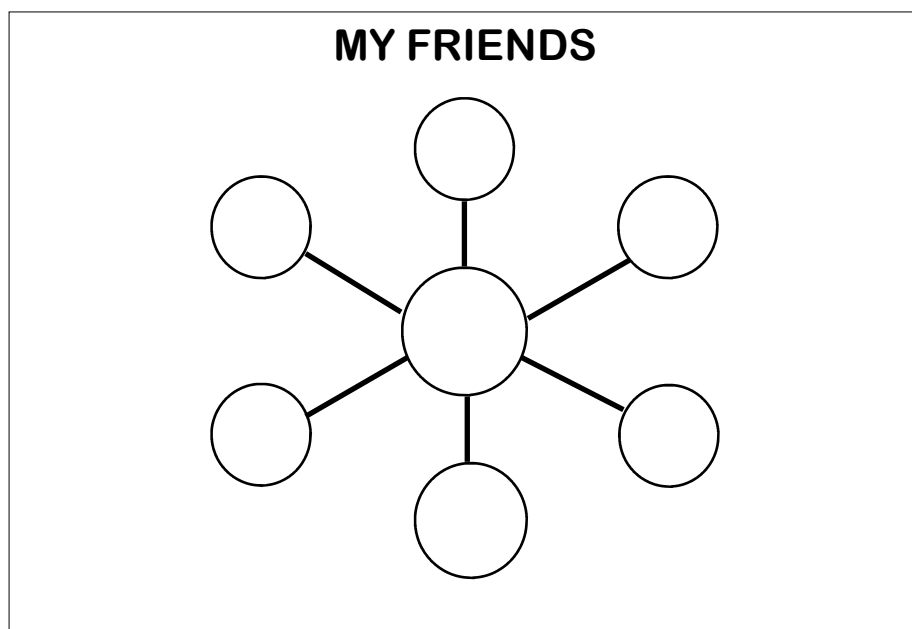
"Evangelism is simply sharing Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results to God."
- Bill Bright

Effective Types of Evangelism:

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.
- Matthew 28:19-20

1. **Prayer** evangelism.
2. **Felt-needs** evangelism.
3. **Friendship** evangelism.

Building on Relationships



Threefold Assignment:

1. **Pray for each of the 6 daily by name.**
2. **Share at least four non-churched activities each year.**
3. **Invite them to an event at the church for the unchurched person.**
4. **Event** Evangelism.
5. **Deeds that meet needs** evangelism.
6. **Media** Evangelism.

7. Worship evangelism.

“One of four unchurched persons would come to worship if a friend or relative invited them. Approximately 20 million American adults sit at home each Sunday that would attend if invited.”
- George Barna

A Simple Evangelism Plan:

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- Romans 5:8

Mistaken Ways People Think They Can Come to Christ:

1. By Inheritance
2. By Works
3. By Desires of Others

Salvation is Like:

1. Receiving a gift.

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Romans 6:23

2. Coming home.

Luke 15- The prodigal son.

3. Opening a door.

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. - Rev. 3:20

The ABCs of a Personal Relationship with Christ:

Step One: Pray for the presence of God on your presentation.

Step Two: Present the plan to friends and family.

Receiving Jesus Christ is as simple as ABC:

Admit that you have sinned. Romans 3:23

Believe that Jesus Christ died for you. John 1:12

Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord of your life. Romans 10:9-10

Use the “How to God to Heaven” Pen, and begin to draw the net with your prospect.

Statement: Salvation is a free gift.

Ask: Would you believe me if I told you that I would give you this ink pen?

Answer: *(Usually)* Yes.

Response: But you don't have the pen. What do you need to do to get the pen?

Answer: *(Usually)* Reach out and take it.

Response: That's right! *(Hand them the pen)* It's yours. Free. And so it is with receiving Christ. You must reach out and take Him into your heart by faith.

Step Three: Lead them in a sinner's prayer.

***Pray this prayer with me:** Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that You died for my sins and arose from the grave. I now turn from my sins and invite You to come into my heart and life. I receive You as my personal Savior and follow You as my Lord. Amen.*

Step Four: Give the new convert assurance of their salvation. I John 5:11-12

Step Five: Follow-up

Keys to Good Follow-up

- Pray daily for the new convert.
- Contact him or her by phone.
- Invite the new convert to the Growing Disciples Class/Church
- Encourage him or her to join a small group/SS class.