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Spiritual Bootcamp

Session 6: Sharing your Faith

The Bible never commands the whole world to go to church. It does, however, command the church to go to the whole world.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:19-20

It is the privilege and responsibility of every believer to reach his world with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The Great Commission of Matthew 28:19-20 is not a request ... it is a command of God to all believers.

How do I do that? What should I say?

You don't have to be an expert theologian to be an effective witness for Jesus Christ. Beginning with a 3-step approach will accomplish much.

- 1. Explain what your life was like before you came to receive Jesus as your Savior.
- 2. Explain what the circumstances were surrounding your coming to know Jesus.
- 3. Explain what changes you have already noticed in your life.
- 4. Give all glory to Jesus Christ.

Remember, you are not responsible for their response to your offer of salvation. You are only responsible for sharing the gospel, the "Good News" that God has provided a way for your sins to be forgiven (1 Corinthians 15:3-4), and by so doing you have fulfilled the Great Commission, and obeyed the command to go given you by Jesus Himself.

For a more detailed method of sharing the gospel, please refer to Session 1 "Understanding Salvation."

1. As Christians we are Christ's

2 Corinthians 5:20

2. Write down Jesus' first and last commands to his disciples.

Mark 1:17

Mark 16:15

- 3. What are we called to be in Acts 1:8?
- 4. What does _Paul tell us about the gospel in Romans 10:13-15?
- 5. Where is there rejoicing when one person comes to believe in Jesus?

Luke 15:10

6. What does Peter tell us about sharing the gospel?

1 Peter 3:15

7. What is an important part of our witnessing?

1 Peter 2:12

1 Timothy 4:16

8. Presenting the gospel is likened to

Luke 8:4-15

- 9. What does Proverbs 11:30 say about those who win souls?
- 10. What can you say to a non-believer who:
 - a. Believes his good works can save him? (Ephesians 2:8-9)
 - b. Believes people from any belief or religion are going to heaven?

John 14:6

Acts 4:12

c. Say they'll commit themselves some day ... just not yet!

2 Corinthians 6:2

James 4:13-14