

SHARING THE GOSPEL

I. OUR PURPOSE ON EARTH - SHARING THE GOSPEL

Romans 1:16 – *“I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.”* Luke 19:10, Acts 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

II. THE EXAMPLE OF PAUL - Philippians 1:12-25

- A. God wants to use your circumstances for the sake of the gospel.
- B. The main thing in life is that the gospel is preached.
- C. Christ is to be exalted in your life - His life, love, character, purpose and truth
- D. Be available to God. *“Here I am. Send me”* - Isaiah 6:8, Romans 12:1-2

III. SHARING THE GOSPEL BY YOUR LIFESTYLE

- A. Be an effective witness for God by how you live, who you spend time with, how you spend your time and money, and being a good worker.
- B. Be an effective witness for God by having good speech, being humble, showing genuine interest in the lives of others, listening, and responding rightly.
- C. Don't be a hypocrite. Be a man or woman of integrity. 1 Timothy 4:12

IV. SHARING THE GOSPEL BY SHARING YOUR TESTIMONY

- A. Share what you were like before you were saved.
- B. Share how you were saved, how God was working in your heart, how you realized Jesus Christ died for your sin, and that you repented of your sin and believed that Jesus died for you and rose again. John 3:16
- C. Share how God changed your life after you were saved. The longer you are saved, the more you can share how God changed your life. Your story is unique, and God wants your life to have an effect on the lives of others. 1 Peter 3:15

V. SHARING THE GOSPEL BY SHARING THE GOSPEL

- A. There is a God who made them, who has authority over their lives.
Genesis 1:1, Jeremiah 10:10, Romans 14:12
- B. They have sinned against God. Romans 3:23, 3:10-18; Ephesians 2:1-4.
They deserve to be punished for their sin. Romans 6:23; Revelation 14:10-11, 20:15
- C. They can't do anything to save themselves. They can't be saved by their works.
- D. Jesus is the only answer. He sacrificed His own life to pay for all their sin.
Jesus became their substitute. God the Father punished His Son so they wouldn't have to be punished. John 1:29, John 14:6, Romans 5:8, 1 Timothy 2:5-6, Isaiah 53
- E. They need to repent of their sin, and put their faith fully and only in Jesus.
Mark 1:15, John 5:24, Romans 10:9-13, Ephesians 2:8-9

VI. SHARING THE GOSPEL BY SHARING GOSPEL STORIES

- A. Luke 5:17-20 - Jesus is God, and is the One who can save people from their sins.
- B. Luke 5:27-32 - Jesus is calling sinners to repentance.
- C. Luke 7:40-50 - Jesus saved a sinful woman who had faith in Him.
- D. Luke 13:1-5 - Accidents and murders are to wake people up to repent of their sins.
- E. Luke 15 - Jesus wants to save those who are lost.
- F. Luke 16:19-31 - The unrepentant rich man goes to hell, and
the poor and humble beggar gets saved and goes to heaven.
- G. Luke 23:39-43 - The story of the repentant criminal who died on the cross
and went straight to heaven, and was with Jesus that same day.

DEVOTE YOURSELVES TO PRAYER...
THAT GOD WILL OPEN TO US A DOOR FOR THE WORD,
SO THAT WE MAY SPEAK FORTH THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST. Colossians 4:2-3

SOME QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:

1. What is the main thing that you believe God wants you to learn from this lesson?
2. What is your purpose on earth? Explain.
3. Why do we need to learn from Paul's example? What can we learn?
4. Why is your lifestyle so important when it comes to sharing the gospel?
5. How did you get saved? How has your life changed over the years?
6. How would you sum up the gospel in three or four sentences?
7. Get acquainted with some gospel passages and stories, and be ready to use them.