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Romans 10:14–15 *How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"*

John 20:21–22 *Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.*

"Evangelism is teaching the gospel with the aim to persuade." Mack Stiles, Evangelism

"To evangelize, is to present Christ Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit, that men shall come to put their trust in God through Him, to accept Him as their Savior, and serve Him as their King in the fellowship of His Church." J.I. Packer, Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God

I. How do we present the gospel?

"Other men may preach the gospel better than I, but no man can preach a better gospel!" George Whitefield

II. Strategies for Everyday Evangelism

1. The Art of Neighboring



2. Hospitality

3. Go to their things before they come to our things

4. Look, Listen, & Ask

5. Cross the Pain line

6. Pray

Conclusion

"The prayer of a Christian is not an attempt to force God's hand, but a humble acknowledgement of helpless dependence...what we do every time we pray is to confess our own impotence and God's sovereignty." - J.I. Packer, Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God

First, "you give God thanks for your conversion...because you know in your heart that God was entirely responsible for it." Secondly, "You pray for the conversion of others...when you pray for unconverted people, you do so on the assumption that it is in God's power to bring them to faith." - J.I. Packer, Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God



1. How Scripture defines the gospel

John 3:16 *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*

1 Corinthians 15:1–3 *"Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures,"*

2 Corinthians 5:21 *"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."*

Romans 3:23–26 *"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus."*

Romans 5:1–2 *"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God."*

Galatians 2:20 *"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."*

1 Timothy 2:5–6 *"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time."*

Mark 1:15 *"and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.""*

Revelation 1:5 *"To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood..."*

2. Other definitions of the gospel

"The gospel is the good news of salvation for hell-deserving sinners through the person and work of Jesus Christ."

"The gospel is the joyful message from God that leads us to salvation."

"The death of Christ is the wisdom of God by which the love of God saves sinners from the wrath of God, and all the while upholds and demonstrates the righteousness of God in Christ."



"First the bad news: God is your Judge, and you have sinned against him. And then the gospel: but Jesus has died so that sinners may be forgiven of their sins if they will repent and believe in him."

"The good news is that the one and only God, who is holy, made us in his image to know him. But we sinned and cut ourselves off from him. In his great love, God became a man in Jesus, lived a perfect life, and died on the cross, thus fulfilling the law himself and taking on himself the punishment for the sins of all those who would ever turn and trust in him. He rose again from the dead, showing that God accepted Christ's sacrifice and that God's wrath against us had been exhausted. He now calls us to repent of our sins and trust in Christ alone for our forgiveness. If we repent of our sins and trust in Christ, we are born again in to a new life, an eternal life with God. Now that's good news."

A basic outline of the gospel

1. God
2. Man
3. Christ
4. Response: repentance and faith

Four crucial questions:

1. Who made us, and to whom are we accountable?
2. What is our problem? In other words, are we in trouble and why?
3. What is God's solution to that problem?
4. How do I—myself, right here, right now—how do I come to be included in that salvation? What makes this good news for me and not just for someone else?