

Some Common Misconceptions About Evangelism

By Kevin Cauley

When you hear the phrase “Personal Evangelism,” what do you think? It is both an awesome and daunting responsibility to share the gospel with others. I have been involved in several efforts to spread the word. I have knocked on doors and spoken to folks about the gospel. I don’t know everything about personal evangelism, but I have come to learn about several misconceptions.

Misconception #1: Most people hate to talk about the Bible. Some try to avoid it, but many are happy to have the discussion. Most of the time, the problem is that we are not comfortable talking about the Bible, and that makes others uncomfortable. Think of your favorite subject. What did you do to learn how to talk about it to someone else? Are you comfortable talking about it? Can you put the same attitude and effort into talking about the Bible? If we demonstrate that we are comfortable talking about the Bible, others will be too. “As He spoke these words, many believed in Him” (John 8:32).

Misconception #2: I just don’t know enough to talk to someone else about the Bible. The truth is: you know more than you think you do. The church of Christ emphasizes regular Bible study. Most others do not. The barrier is our comfort level. We just need to start the conversation. “But what if I don’t know something?” There is nothing wrong with telling someone that you don’t know the answer. Tell them, “I will find out and get back to you later.” The church at Corinth had many questions. They wrote a letter to Paul to get them answered (1 Corinthians 1:11). Sometimes we need to get answers from someone who knows a little more about the Bible. This is OK, and people will understand if we need to do this.

Misconception #3: Nobody is going to respond anyway. This is a defeatist attitude. Of course, nobody is going to respond if we don’t go out and work. When you do the work, however, you never know who is going to respond. Consistent, steady efforts are the key to any successful endeavor. How many successful salesmen do you know who gave up after their first attempt? It takes time, effort, and consistency. Paul said, “Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears” (Acts 20:31).

We can do personal work in our community. The biggest barrier to this is ourselves. We need to determine to get out and start evangelizing for Christ. The stakes are too high, and the souls of men hang in the balance. Let’s resolve to make an effort to evangelize our community.



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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Don DeLukie **Opening prayer-** David Reppond
Communion- Wayne Fowler **Closing Prayer-** Arthur Binford
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Next Sunday

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Opening prayer-** Ronnie Hayes
Communion- Rick Cook **Closing Prayer-** David Reppond
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

—**Question & Answer Series:** Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are collected. Give your questions to Don.

—**Children's Home Collection:** Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



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Please Pray For:

Luella & Kendle Jacobs, Peggy Sehon, Buddy & Carlon Hollis, Pam Few, Lynn Urban, Chuck & Shannon Boyer, Martha Maxwell, Cheryl Trejo, Linda Lester, Billy Branch, Vee Boren, Debbie Lewis, Glenda Wells.

Bereaved: Family of James Johnson, Barbara Boyer, Kathryn Herbert.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Debbie Walker, Carey Day, Melanie Christy, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Tommy Franklin, Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Dena White, Larry & Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Dave & Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, Bobby Barker, Cindy Smith, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



June Birthdays

10 - Sharon Harris
12 - Rachel Rogers
15 - Jesse Sewell
16 - Victor Binford
16 - Janice Hayes
20 - Debbie Grice
21 - Ashton Richardson
22 - Kara Freeman
22 - Damien Miller
25 - Don Delukie

June Anniversaries

17 - Brandon & Sydney Rogers
28 - Arthur & Cybil Binford

