



Mission

“THE SACRIFICES OF GOD ARE A BROKEN SPIRIT...” — PSALM 51:17

Week 9 of 9

[Seinfeld Clip on Elaine going to Hell // how do we lovingly share Jesus with people who don't believe and don't want to change?](#)

Today, we're going to talk about evangelism.

evangelism: sharing good news with others to promote change in them.

salesmanship: convincing other people to make a decision.

manipulation: coercing people to reject their own judgment.

real evangelism is all about GOOD NEWS and it's the final step of recovery • PRAY!!

R.E.C.O.V.E.R.Y. STEP #8

Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and by my words.

ILL: George W Bush, before elected, on Jesus, but “it's a personal thing.”

**Many Christians never share // most Christians never ASK // not even with believers
WE'LL ADDRESS THE WHY AND THE HOW.**

Why?

- Nothing is real for you until you share it with others.

ILL: talking brings insights, Mr. Watson's Tests // professional counseling

- The process of sharing makes it stronger in you.

You can only learn something once, but you can teach it over and over.

- This is obedience leading to discipline.

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...

Matthew 28:19

- This is living like Jesus—our model of wholeness and holiness.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Matthew 5:10-12

ILL: the “prophet” during chapel at Wheaton probably felt persecuted.

REWARD #1: Heaven

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for

us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

2 Corinthians 4:16-17

REWARD #2: Maturity

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything

James 1:2-4

REWARD #3: ETERNAL Significance

You have been saved from something terrible, but others are still in it. VIDEO CLIP

You have been saved for something wonderful and you might miss out.

How?

BRING GOOD NEWS BY Example

What is the good news in your life? Have you been rescued? Live a life of JOY!

But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong

2 Corinthians 12:9-10

BRING GOOD NEWS BY Words

I don't know what to say --> are you even in the faith? How do you know?

Just share two stories:

- What Jesus Did for the World

- What Jesus Did for Me

BRING GOOD NEWS WITHOUT Fear

For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—Jews first and also Gentiles.

Romans 1:16 NLT

If you are like Jesus, some will love you, some won't.

If you are like Jesus, their response is between them and God.

If they reject you, they are rejecting Jesus, AND THEY MIGHT REJECT JESUS OUTRIGHT.

ILL: Charlie at the bus stop... “He's my friend!”