

PERSONAL EVANGELISM: Lesson 1

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INTRODUCTION: Welcome to our class on “Personal Evangelism” (soul-winning).

A. Our purposes:

1. To motivate each of us toward greater service in the realm of personal evangelism.
2. To provide Biblical information and practical methods whereby we can learn to talk to and teach others.
3. To recognize individual responsibility – how we all can be involved in this great work.

B. We shall learn about teaching others the gospel:

1. I will show you “my method” and give you a lot of materials.
2. Also, we will look at some other teaching methods (such as the Jule Miller filmstrips, Bible Correspondence Courses; etc. – *there are many ways to teach others!*).
3. We shall stress the importance of seeing people as lost and looking for every opportunity of sharing the gospel with them.

I. THE PRINCIPLE

A. The principle and the need: Proverbs 11:30

1. Men are lost because of sin! Genesis 2:16-17
2. Isaiah 59:1-2; Ephesians 2:1; Romans 3:9-10, 23; 6:23; 1 John 1:8-10.

B. The justice of God: Ezekiel 18:20; 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10

C. The gift of Christ: Genesis 3:15; Matthew 1:21; Luke 19:10; 2 Corinthians 5:21

II. THE PARTICIPANTS

A. New Testament teaching: Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Romans 1:16-17; 2 Corinthians 5:11; 2 Timothy 2:2

B. New Testament examples:

1. Peter: Acts 2:14 ff; Acts 3; Acts 4:19-20
2. Stephen: Acts 7
3. Philip: Acts 8
4. Priscilla & Aquilla: Acts 18:25-26
5. Paul: Acts 13; 14:7; 16:25-34; 17:1-4; 18:4; etc.

III. THE PARABLE: Matthew 13:1-23

***MEMORY VERSE for next week: Mark 16:15-16**