

SHARING THE GOSPEL



OUR PURPOSE - HELPING PEOPLE ENCOUNTER THE LOVE OF GOD STEP 1 – INTRODUCING OTHERS TO CHRIST – CHAP 1

We do this by living out the Gospel: reaching the lost by sharing God's word, mentoring people and helping them become disciples of Jesus, serving in our community, and being in fellowship with others in the body of Christ.

A research study asked multiple participants about the deciding factor for them to come to Christ and get established in a local church. Seventy-nine percent claimed a good friend or relative had shared the Gospel with them.

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation... (Isaiah 52:7)

The Bible states the feet of those who bring the Gospel are beautiful and that the "good news" is a treasure given to every devoted follower of Jesus. May the Lord use these study guides on sharing the Gospel to correct us and to produce in us a passion and a determination to do His will.

Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them. (Psalm 126:6)



SHARING THE GOSPEL IS INTIMIDATING

The act of sharing the Gospel with someone can be an intimidating experience. Even the apostle Paul, who was exceptional at spreading the good news of the Gospel, had experienced moments where he felt faint of heart.

Paul states in 1 Corinthians 2:3, *"I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling."*

Research studies reveal that public speaking is the number one cause of fear and anxiety. In this case, sharing the Gospel with non-believers would likely be at the top of that list. Fear of sharing the Gospel can produce feelings of anxiety grounded in anticipation that the person you are thinking of speaking to will reject you personally or become angry. This fear stops us in our tracks and keeps our mouths closed.

We then try to excuse ourselves from verbally sharing the Gospel by rationalizing that we will just let others observe the good things we do in life to be a testimony of the Gospel. This, however, is pawing off our own responsibility as believers to share God's Word. We hope those around us will "*get it*" by watching how we act. Although living a life following Jesus is an excellent example for others to observe us, we are still called to share the Gospel and "*make disciples of all nations,*" as stated in Matthew 28:19.

To be successful at sharing the Gospel, read the study guides daily, set aside time to meditate on them, and put what you learn into practice. We recommend you should save the study guides on your electronic device for easy reference. Find instructions [here](#).

INTRODUCTION TO SHARING THE GOSPEL

STEP 1: SHARING YOUR FAITH - SPIRITUAL PREPARATION – CHAPTERS 1 TO 8

STEP 2: SHARING YOUR TESTIMONY – CHAPTERS 9 TO 15

STEP 3: SHARING THE GOSPEL (THE GOOD NEWS) – CHAPTERS 16 TO 23

Step 1: Sharing – Spiritual Preparation For Sharing Your Faith

Step 1 is the most critical preparation for soul-winning. To succeed, you must first have spiritual preparedness, as we will examine in chapters 1 to 8.



A **new baby** starts by drinking milk, then baby food, then vegetables, etc. You never see babies start eating meat and potatoes.

This is the same analogy for Christians sharing the Gospel with someone. We must begin with spiritual preparation first, then prepare our testimony, and then be ready to share the Gospel message.

Step 1 – Sharing your faith –spiritual preparation and growth. (chap 1 to 8)

Step 2 - Next is preparing how to share your testimony. (chap 9 to 15)

Step 3 – Next is knowing how to share the Gospel easily. (chap 16 to 23)

Over the next few days, we will review **Step 1** from chapters 1 to 8. If you skip **step 1**, you may not be successful in sharing the Gospel. You may get discouraged and feel like you are not good at sharing; thus, you will not try anymore.



You can compare these 3 STEPS to climbing a mountain as in the picture.

Step 1 Spiritual Preparation is like getting personally physically fit and prepared for a long hike on a scorching day.

Step 2 Sharing Your Testimony is getting organized with all the gear and food.

Step 3 Sharing The Gospel is the joy of the accomplishment of reaching the top of the mountain.

STEP 1 – CHAPTER 1 - INTRODUCTION TO SHARING THE GOSPEL

The study guides will provide an insightful and straightforward training program for effective evangelism. The study guides will review significant barriers to evangelism, including fear, anxiety, and lack of knowledge about how to witness to someone.

This will not be easy, and it takes hard work and effort. We encourage you not to skip ahead to the other study guides so that all your attention is exclusively focused on learning chapters 1 to 8 in preparation for Spiritual Christian development.

To be successful at soul winning, you will have to be **committed**. Set a specific time to think, meditate, and practice what you learn each day. If you have a busy schedule, we recommend that each daily study guide be saved on your device so that you can come back to it to refresh your memory. Soul-winning is not something you want to do half-heartedly.

We live in an age where people want instant success and instant gratification. It is embedded in us to want good things now. One illustration is buying a box of cake mix versus making a cake from scratch. Making a cake from a box can taste good and quick, but taking the time to make a cake from scratch is more delicious and feels more satisfying because you put more effort into putting in all the ingredients and mixing them just right. You may fail a few times in the process, but you learn how to make the cake better each time. This course, or any other soul-winning course, makes instant success and gratification impossible. Like constructing something, it takes time and effort. In conclusion, it will be hard work but gaining souls for Christ is an indescribable feeling.

A person in a red jacket and backpack stands on a grassy mountain ridge, looking out over a vast, misty landscape. The sky is overcast and the distant peaks are shrouded in fog.

*One MOMENT Can Change a DAY,
One DAY can Change a LIFE, And
One LIFE can Change the WORLD.*

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Sharing the Gospel: "One life can change the World."

Never underestimate the power of the Holy Spirit to use you and help you in sharing the Gospel.

The Title, *"One life can change the world,"* came from many years of seeing God's Grace change lives. I have witnessed the power of the Holy Spirit transform people from very little into something incredible. One example is about a man in India named Tamil. He had a brain injury that paralyzed his one arm and one leg, and he could not talk. Tamil knew nothing about who God was until a neighbor suggested he read *"the Jesus book."* Tamil received a free Bible, and after a few months, he began to speak slowly. He can now talk normally and has full use of his arm and leg. Check out Tamil's testimony [here](#). *"Heal me, LORD, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise."* (Jeremiah 17:14).

Tamil accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, got water baptized, and attended a caring church. On weekends Tamil and his pastor went to villages preaching the Gospel. A while later, Tamil borrowed money to build a Christian church in his village that is made up of mainly Hinduism religion. He had strong resistance from the local government and the town. He started with only four people attending his church services—more on Tamil's story on how *"One Life Can Change The World"* [here](#). Over the years, I have acquired many stories of how miraculous lives can be changed by someone like you sharing the Gospel with them.

"Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to all creation..." (Mark 16:15)

I believe that if someone takes *"Sharing the Gospel: One life can change the world,"* study guide seriously, they will be comfortable with and will be able to share the Gospel successfully. It does not matter if you are rich or poor, intelligent or foolish, introverted or have the gift of gab, young or old, or had a rough life. If you are committed to stepping out of your comfort zone, these study guides can help you be that person dedicated to *"one life can change the world."*

Sharing our faith is among our urgent calls as followers of Jesus. Utilizing the exciting techniques in the study guides will not only help you reach others for Christ, but you may also discover you have genuinely developed a heart for evangelism.

What is your response when you hear the phrase "*sharing the gospel*?" Possibly something like: "*Oh, that is too scary,*" or "*Only missionaries and evangelists do that,*" or "*That's too much for me.*"

As followers of Jesus, most of us are aware that we are called to share the Gospel with neighbors, co-workers, friends, and family. Although it may seem scary at first, ordinary Christians can share the Gospel just like missionaries and evangelists. How do we go about sharing the Gospel? I will tell you.



**Let's start with:
How not to present the
Gospel.**

A significant number of Christians deliver the Gospel message incorrectly. However, it is not deliberate. Here are some examples of negative Gospel presentations: Later, we will discover how to properly share the Gospel.

"God loves you, and if you give your life to Jesus, you will go to heaven,"
or *"If you ask Jesus into your heart, you will certainly come to be a Christian. Simply ask Him to be your Savior,"*
or *"Jesus loves you so much that if you trust in Him, He will save you."*

Let us look at an additional presentation that is wrong. Consider this misrepresentation of the Gospel message: *"If you ask Jesus into your heart, your life will get better."*

First and foremost, Jesus never said a person's life would get better if they asked Him to enter their lives. He promised He would stand by us through rough seasons in our lives and bring us strength and hope to endure.

Secondly, our lives may even feel worse for a while as people in our lives may reject us and desert us because we decided to follow Jesus.

Thirdly, in our attempt to follow Jesus, we may give up on Him altogether and reject Christianity if we do not see situations in our lives improving. Jesus did not come to

promise us a good life. He came to die on the cross so that we may no longer live for ourselves but to live for Him.

Jesus's sacrifice allowed us to escape the righteous judgment of God. So let us respond to our Lord and Savior by being God-centered instead of self-centered. Teaching people this Gospel truth is very important to not mislead people into believing a false gospel message. How we can grow in delivering the Gospel message will be discussed in the next few study guides.

The **definition** of Sharing the Gospel is introducing someone to Jesus Christ. He is the "Good News." Our word evangelism comes from the Greek word εὐαγγέλιον - Eu- good - Angelion - angel, message.

To get excited about sharing the Gospel message, believe you will see results when sharing your faith. It is necessary to have a plan of action when it comes to identifying your circle of influence and sharing God's Word: Start each day by asking God to make you an instrument for divine encounters during the day, always be in prayer, write down how you would go about engaging someone in a spiritual conversation, think about questions others may have for you and how you would go about answering them.

"Come follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." (Matthew 4:19).



Choosing your focus and approach:

In anticipation of being used by God, Christians are like cats on the lookout for mice. They never lose their focus with their eyes and ears alert and ready to pounce gently at any second. When you stay ready, you are actually living by the faith you claim to exercise.

You have a mission field at the coffee shop, work, school, neighborhood, mall, gym, sports events, etc., where your focus is on people and sowing seeds.

One of the best misconceptions is the idea so prevalent among Christians that men and women do not wish to know God. I find sufficient evidence that simply the opposite is true. The Holy Spirit has developed a hunger for God in the hearts of multitudes. I am persuaded that most non-believers worldwide are ready to receive Christ when correctly approached with a clear and straightforward presentation of the Gospel by a Spirit-filled witness.

Tragically, most Christians have never presented a single individual to the Lord Jesus. There are two good reasons for this.

First, some Christians live a defeated, fruitless, worldly (carnal) life. They are not walking in the fullness and control of the Holy Spirit.

The second reason is lack of training. They have never learned how to start a conversation about Christ and explain the Gospel clearly to lead an individual in their decision to receive Jesus Christ by faith.

The first step in sharing your faith is establishing a burning desire to do so. We can depend on the Holy Spirit to spark this desperate desire within us, for this is precisely what He wishes to do.

Presenting the Gospel takes much thought, effort, and practice.

THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR MEN AND WOMEN TO DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE IMPORTANT TASK OF BECOMING SOUL WINNERS!

These study guides places at your fingertips practical, precise, and effective methods to reach people for Christ in a loving way. It will provide you the know-how to give comfort and assurance to those who can be saved for eternity. We all know the destination of people who do not accept Jesus as the way to God. We do not want to see anyone reject our Lord and Savior and find themselves in hell, a place of total separation from God.

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15).

"Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold." (2 Corinthians 3:12).

These study guides are written to guide a Christian in their personal witnessing to present a plan of salvation clearly and straightforwardly so that the lost can understand. We must give the message in words people can understand.

Doctors cannot communicate effectively with their patients using complicated medical terminology. Patients will have a hard time understanding. Thus, this is true when sharing the Gospel with others. Using language or terms not familiar to someone will confuse them. That is why it is vital to learn how to share the Gospel using words that match the person's level of understanding.

As we prepare ourselves to reach a person for the Lord, we must always bear in mind how our words will come across to the lost. Remember, the average person cannot quote two Scriptures from memory. We do the lost a great injustice to speak in

ecclesiastical terms that do not convey the proper meaning to the unsaved, and this defeats our whole purpose in witnessing.

Many people testify that before they came to Christ, terms used by pastors or ministers such as "*born again*," "*redemption*," "*justification*," and "*propitiation*" were confusing. Nobody ever explained that Christ died on the cross to pay the price for their sins. They did not understand the Gospel. They completely overlooked that making something understandable takes much thought and work. As you strive to make the message plain, you will discover that "*simplicity*" is not simple... but it will significantly increase the fruit of your ministry.

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Sharing The Gospel Challenge

As stated in this study guide, sharing our faith is among our urgent calls as followers of Jesus. God has called us to bear good fruit.

"This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."
(John 15:8).

All kinds of people have become skillful at church, reading Christian books, and worship, but when it comes to seeing a soul come to Jesus — that's another entire thing, isn't it? How many of you honestly want to see more people get saved through your church? Unfortunately, some are content to go to church and live their life. I believe by you wanting to do these Share the Gospel study guides, you, at the very least, are on the right track. You get to the point where you won't accept being unfruitful. No one can make this happen to you. **It is your choice!**

God likes to use people who have an attitude of, "*I'd sooner not live if I can't see fruit.*" God mightily uses such people for soul-winning who first comes to this desperation of wanting to see their life produce good fruit.

We can all provide our ideas on the church's future or the beast's mark. We can go off into faith talks, Christian daydreams, or positional theology to the point of losing connection with life's experiences. So who will get the alcoholic and drug user off of drugs? Who's going to see Jesus change the hurting and the sinful person? This is why we still speak about famous evangelists like D. L. Moody and Wesley, not because of their compelling theological positions but because they produced fruit.

Hopefully, you are getting excited on your new journey as I believe God can use you in ways you have not imagined. God has used various kinds of people from all backgrounds to further His kingdom because they're faithful and obedient to God's call and command to bear good fruit. So let's start genuinely living out the Gospel today.

"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile." (Romans 1:16).

Next: Chapter2: WHY EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD BE A SOUL WINNER

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