

The Urgent Need for Evangelism

Bible Verses, Questions, & Assignment

1. What did you learn from your study of Romans 10:10-15 and 2 Corinthians 11:23-28 this past week?
2. Why is Evangelism Important?

"... Seek first the kingdom of God ..." (Mathew 6:33, NIV)

that "Jesus is Lord," and that God raised him from the dead. (Romans 10:9, NIV).

The Lord is a God who avenges. O God who avenges, shine forth. Rise up, Judge of the earth; pay back to the proud what they deserve. How long, Lord, will the wicked be jubilant?

God will repay them for their sins and destroy them for their wickedness; the Lord our God will destroy them. (Psalm 94:1-3 & 23, NIV)

"I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell." (Mathew 5:22, NIV)

You have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God? (Romans 2:1-3, ESV)

You are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed. (Romans 2:5, ESV)

Jews and Gentiles alike are all under the power of sin. As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one ..." (Romans 3:9-10, NIV)

Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. (Romans 10:1-4, NIV)

Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:20-21)

3. What are some ways to bring people to Christ? Have you ever converted anyone? Have you ever been converted and how did that happen? How do we keep our faith in ourselves and in others?

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

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!" (Romans 10:11-15, ESV)

If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. (1 Corinthians 5:13-14, NIV)

I face death every day, brothers, as surely as I boast about you in Christ Jesus our Lord. If I fought wild beasts in Ephesus for human motives, what did I gain? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." (1 Corinthians 15:31-32, NIV)

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. (1 Corinthians 15:3-6, NIV)

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. (Romans 9:1-3, ESV)

Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. (Romans 10:1, ESV)

Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. (2 Corinthians 11:23-28, ESV)

“If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell.” (Mark 9:43–47, ESV)

*And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord’s glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.
(2 Corinthians 3:18, NIV)*

Looking at his disciples, he said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

“Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort. Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.” (Luke 6:20-26, NIV)

Assignment

Spend a bit of time this week considering [Matthew 11:28-30](#), [Philippians 2:1-18](#), and [1 John 3:14-18](#).

- This week, read [Matthew 11:28-30](#), [Philippians 2:1-18](#), and [1 John 3:14-18](#) through several times – try reading them in several different translations.
- What do you find comforting in these passages?
- Is there anything about these passages that makes you uncomfortable? Why do you think that is?
- What do these verses reveal about God’s plan for your life?
- According to these passages, what is the most important thing you can be doing as a follower of Jesus?
- What is the most important message you see in these passages?
- How will what you have learned affect the way you live your life? Why?