

Seed Sowing and House Building

Applying principles of personal witness as taught by Jesus and practiced by Paul.

- Evangelism** is like seed sowing. (Mark 4:1-20; 26-29; 1 Corinthians 3:6-8)
 - ✓ In conversation, we “sow and water”.
- Apologetics** is like house building. (Matthew 7:24-29; 2 Timothy 2:24-26; 1 Peter 3:15)
 - ✓ In conversation, we “explain and expose”.

Authenticity and Authority

Authenticity:

Authority:

Putting It Into Practice

1. **Tell** the story ... starting from the very beginning of biblical history.
2. **Teach** the gospel ... using your testimony with principles of Law and Gospel.
3. **Take** the time ... to build your house and make a biblical defense while watering the seed of the gospel.

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COURSE 1

BIBLICAL EVANGELISM

Evangelism Basics

Name:

Email:

Homework Assignments

- Practice sharing what you learn with a **Christian** friend! Name:
- Practice sharing what you learn with a **non-Christian** friend! Name:

Evangelism Defined

Evangelism: teaching of Christ and His gospel through preaching and personal witness.

(1 Corinthians 15:1-4; John 1:35 – 42a; Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8; John 18:37)

The gospel is the “good news” of God’s saving activity in the person and work of Christ. This includes:

- ✓ His incarnation
- ✓ His sinless life
- ✓ His substitutionary death
- ✓ His resurrection
- ✓ His glorification
- ✓ His ascension

Knowing God’s Story

Learning to tell God’s story through the “7 C’s of History”:

- Creation** (Genesis 1:1)
- Corruption** (Genesis 3:1-21)
- Catastrophe** (Genesis 6-9)
- Confusion** (Genesis 11)
- Christ** (Genesis 3:15)
- Cross** (Philippians 2:5-8)
- Consummation** (Revelation 21:1)

Knowing God

“A powerful relationship exists between what a person thinks of **God**, what they think of **themselves**, what they think of **sin**, and what they think of **salvation**.”

- Richard Owen Roberts

- God**
- Self**
- Sin**
- Salvation**

Law and Gospel

- Functions of God’s Law: (Romans 3:19-20)
 1. God’s Law stops sinners from justifying themselves. (v. 19)
 2. God’s Law helps the whole world realize they are guilty. (vv. 19-20)
 3. God’s Law brings sinners to the knowledge of their sin. (v. 20)
- The Mirror Illustration (“Love God, love others.” – Jesus)

Repentance and Faith

- Repentance:** a heartfelt sorrow for sin, a renouncing of it, and a sincere commitment to forsake it and walk in obedience to Christ.
(Isaiah 55:6-7; Romans 7:15; 2 Corinthians 7:9-10)
- Faith:** trusting in Jesus Christ as a living person for forgiveness of sins and for eternal life with God.
(John 3:16; Acts 16:31; Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-9; Hebrews 11:1)
- It’s only when we turn from sin (repent) and turn to Christ (faith) that we are saved.
(Acts 3:19)