

WEEK 1 – EVANGELISM IS IMPORTANT
DAY 1 – WHAT IS EVANGELISM?

Do you like to hear good news?

Let us say you have planted a field. Then you have gone away on a journey. If you hear that your field is growing well, you are very happy.

Or let us say you have taken an examination. You are waiting to hear if you passed.

1. How do you feel when you hear the news that you passed? _____

But we not only like to hear good news. We like to tell it to other people. If you passed your examination, are you quiet about it? No, you tell your friends.

When you go hunting, you may catch a buck. What do you do? You tell people about it.

Or perhaps you find a store which sells good dresses. Then you tell your friends so they can buy dresses too.

2. When we have good news, what do we do with it? _____

We Christians have some very good news. We know that Jesus came to die for sinners. We know that if people receive Jesus, God will forgive their sins. People need to hear this.

3. What should we do with the good news about Jesus? _____

This good news about Jesus is better than other news. It is more important. It can save people. It can give them eternal life.

This good news about Jesus is so important that it has been given a special name. It is called the gospel or the evangel.

4. Why does the good news about Jesus have a special name? _____

Yes, the good news about Jesus is very important. It has great power. If people receive Jesus, they are forgiven. Their lives are changed. If they receive the gospel they have eternal life.

5. How can people hear this good news? _____

The gospel is very important. We must do two things with it.

(1) We must tell people the Good News.

(2) We must help people receive Jesus.

The work of telling people and helping them receive Jesus is a very great work. It has also been given a special name. It is called evangelism.

6. When we do evangelism, what two things do we do?

(1) _____

(2) _____

Evangelism is a very big work. We must go to people who are not Christians. We must tell them the good news of Jesus.

But telling them is not enough. We must help them receive Jesus.

7. What do we call this work of (1) telling people the Good News and (2) helping them receive Jesus? _____

You see, evangelism means doing two things. Before people can receive Jesus, we must tell them about Him. But it is not enough to tell them. After that, we must help them receive Him.

8. What is evangelism? (1) _____

(2) _____

Christians have much work to do. They must learn the Bible. They must pray. They must help other Christians. They must help people who are not Christians.

9. When a Christian talks to God, is this evangelism? _____

10. When a Christian helps another Christian, is this evangelism? _____

The preacher of a church has much work to do. He must teach the people who are Christians. He must also tell sinners the good news. He must help them receive Jesus.

11. When a preacher tells people the Good News and helps them receive Jesus, what do we call it? _____

This is the work we will learn about in this book. We will learn why evangelism is important. We will learn who should do evangelism. We will learn how to do evangelism. I believe you will enjoy learning these things.

12. What is evangelism? (1) _____

(2) _____

ANSWERS

1. This is up to you.
5. They can hear if someone tells them.
9. No.
2. We tell it.
6. (1) We tell people the Good News.
(2) We help people receive Jesus.
10. No.
3. We should tell people about it.
7. Evangelism.
11. Evangelism.
4. Because it is better, or it is more important.
8. (1) Telling people the Good News.
(2) Helping people receive Jesus.
12. (1) Telling people the Good News.
(2) Helping people receive Jesus.

WEEK 1 – EVANGELISM IS IMPORTANT
DAY 2 – PEOPLE ARE LOST

Today we begin learning why evangelism is important.

1. What is evangelism? (1) _____
(2) _____
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Evangelism is a very big work. It is different from plowing, or cooking or teaching school. It is work which gives people spiritual life. Here are four reasons why evangelism is important. I will ask you to say these at the end of the week.

Why is evangelism important?
(1) People are lost.
(2) God wants to save them.
(3) The time is short.
(4) Evangelism helps you.

2. What is the first reason why evangelism is important? _____

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What does it mean to be lost? Have you ever been walking and could not find your way? Do you remember how you were afraid? Perhaps it became dark and you were still lost. You had no food or water. You had no place to sleep.

3. Have you ever been lost in this way? _____
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This is how it is with people who are not following God. The Bible tells us how God made man. It also tells us how man refused to obey. He turned away from God. Because man turned away from God, he

was lost. That is why Jesus came. Luke 19:10:
For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost.

4. How are people who are not following God? They are _____

A man who is not following God is lost. He cannot find the way to live.
He does not know where he is going.

The Bible says that if a man continues to be lost in sin, he will die. He will
be separated from God forever. Romans 6:23:

For the wages of sin is death.

5. What is the pay for the man who is lost in sin? _____

What can we do for these lost people? We can tell them the Good News.
We can help them receive Jesus. Jesus will save them from being lost. He will
save them from death.

6. What do we call the work of helping people receive Jesus? _____

People are lost. That is why evangelism is important. The pay for lost
people is death. But all men die. How is that a punishment for sinners?
The Bible says there are two places for people after death. John 5:28-29:
Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming when all who are in the
tombs will hear his voice and come forth, those who have done good,
to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the
resurrection of judgment.

7. Look at the verse carefully. When sinners die, what will they wake up to?

Yes, people who have not received Jesus will be judged. They will be sent to the fire for their sins. Revelation 20:12, 15:

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Also another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, by what they had done.

And if any one's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

8. Where will a person go if he is lost in sin? _____

That is what the Bible means when it says people are lost. They are separated from God. They are going to the fire.

9. What is the first reason why evangelism is important? _____

People are lost. What can they do? Must they only die and be thrown into the fire? No, there is a way for them to be saved. John 3:16:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

10. Who is this Son whom God gave? _____

But how will people know that Jesus died for them? They will only know if we tell them. That is why the work of telling people the good news and helping them receive Jesus is important.

11. What is the name of this work? _____

Evangelism is important because people are lost. They are going to the fire. Unless we tell them the good news they will still be lost. Unless they receive Jesus they will be lost forever.

12. Will men be saved without evangelism? _____

13. What work must we do to save people who are lost? _____

14. Why is evangelism important? _____

ANSWERS

- 2. People are lost.
- 5. Death.
- 8. To the fire.
- 11. Evangelism.
- 14. Because people are lost.
 - 1. (1) Telling people the Good News.
 - (2) Helping them receive Jesus.
- 4. lost.
- 7. Judgment.
- 10. Jesus.
- 13. Evangelism.
- 3. This is up to you.
- 6. Evangelism.
- 9. People are lost.
- 12. No.

WEEK 1 – EVANGELISM IS IMPORTANT
DAY 3 – GOD WANTS TO SAVE PEOPLE

We have learned what evangelism is. Yesterday we learned the first reason why it is important.

1. What is evangelism? (1) _____
(2) _____
 2. Why is evangelism important? _____
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People are lost. They cannot find the way to live. Their sins bring them trouble. Their sins will bring them to the fire when they die. But God does not want this. He has made a way for them to be saved.

Why is Evangelism Important?
(1) People are lost.
(2) God wants to save people.
(3) The time is short.
(4) Evangelism helps you.

3. What is the second reason why evangelism is important? _____

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Let us say you have seven children. One day the house catches fire where they are playing. What will you do? Will you not try hard to save them from being burnt? Will you be happy to save only two or three? Will you be happy if you save only six?

4. How many of your children will you want to save from the fire? _____

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I believe you will want to save all seven. Why? Because you love them all. In the same way, God, our Father, loves us. He loves us more than we love our own children. He wants all men to be saved. 1 Timothy 2:3-4:

This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

5. How many people does God want to save? _____

How does God save people? What is the truth He wants all people to know? You remember we looked at the verse in Romans 6:23:

For the wages of sin is death.

But that is not all the verse says. There are more words. Romans 6:23:

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

6. Through whom does God save people? _____

We use this verse very much in evangelism. It shows that people are lost. It shows that God wants to save them.

You will need this verse many times. You will need to show people they are lost in sin and death. You will need to show them that God wants to save them through Jesus.

7. What verse tells that God wants to give eternal life through Jesus? Write where it is found. _____

I want you to memorize this verse. Do it now as part of this lesson. Take your Bible. Open it to Romans 6:23. Read the verse three times. Look away from your Bible. Try to say it without reading. Read the verse again. Do this until you can say the whole verse. Do not go on with this lesson until you have memorized it.

8. Without looking in your Bible, write Romans 6:23 here. _____

Evangelism is important because God wants to save people. But how can people know this? They will only know if someone tells them. Who is going to tell them? 2 Corinthians 5:19-20:

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.

9. In this verse, who has the work of giving God's words? _____

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Yes, God has given to us the work of telling people about Jesus. He has given to us the work of helping people receive Him.

10. What do we call the work of telling people the Good News and helping them receive Jesus? _____

11. Why is this important to God? _____

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Think of the chief in your area. Let us say he wants to call a meeting of all the headmen. He writes letters to these men. Then he tells messengers to take these letters out.

12. How does the chief feel if the messengers do not take the letters?

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This is how it is with God. God wants to save all men. They must know this. God wants us to tell them. When we tell them we do evangelism.

13. Why is evangelism important? Write the reasons from yesterday and today.

(1) _____

(2) _____

ANSWERS

3. God wants to save people.
6. Through Jesus.
9. We ourselves.
12. He feels sad or angry or troubled. Any of these answers is correct.
 2. Because people are lost.
 5. All of them.
 8. Look in your Bible to see if you have written it right.
11. Because He wants to save people.
 1. (1) Telling people the good news.
(2) Helping people receive Jesus.
 4. I think you will want to save all of them.
 7. Romans 6:23.
10. Evangelism.
13. (1) People are lost.
 - (2) God wants to save people.

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DAY 4 – THE TIME IS SHORT

We are learning why evangelism is important.

1. Write in the second reason.

Why is Evangelism Important?
(1) People are lost.
(2) _____
(3) The time is short.
(4) Evangelism helps you.

Now we know that people are lost. We know that God wants to save them. We must do the work of evangelism to help them.

2. Do you think we have many years to do this work? _____

Our world today is in trouble. Perhaps you have a radio. When you hear the news, you hear of many people dying. You hear of floods, and earthquakes, and wars. You hear of machines to kill people that are bigger than guns to kill elephants, buffalo and lions.

Perhaps you do not have a radio. Still you hear of people dying. Many people are dying without receiving Christ. When they die, they go to the place of fire.

3. When you think about this, how do you feel? _____

You and I may not be able to do anything to keep people from dying. But we can do something to keep them from going to the fire.

4. What can we do to keep them from going to the fire? _____

It is not only the people in wars who are in trouble. We see people around us who are in trouble. They are slaves of sin. They do not have joy and peace. They are obeying Satan. They are lost.

5. What are some of the troubles of people around you? _____

Many people around us die without receiving Jesus. They have not understood His way. Some of them have never been told the good news. This is because there are not enough people doing evangelism. The Bible says more people are needed to do evangelism. Matthew 9:36-38:

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harrassed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

6. What did Jesus mean when he said, "The harvest is plentiful"?

Perhaps you say, "Yes, there are many people who need to hear the good news. But there is plenty of time." That is not what Jesus said. Look at John 4:35:

Do you not say, "There are yet four months, then comes the harvest"? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest.

7. When the maize is ready in the fields, do you say, "Well, let me wait a while. When I am ready I will go out and harvest it"? _____

No, when the harvest is ready in the fields we hurry to bring it in. The time is short. We do not want the maize to spoil.

God's harvest of men is ready. He wants us to bring men in. The time is short. Some of these men will die soon. That is why evangelism is important.

8. Why is evangelism important? _____

Yes, the time is short. People are dying. Jesus may be coming soon. He told the disciples in Matthew 24:7,8, 14:

For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places; all this is but the beginning of the sufferings.

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations; and then the end will come.

9. Think about these verses. Think about the troubles of the world today. Does it seem to you that the time of Jesus' coming may be soon? _____

After Jesus comes, we will not be able to do evangelism. We must do it now.

10. Do we have a long time to do evangelism? _____

Evangelism is important. It is important because men are lost. It is important because God wants to save men.

11. Why should we hurry to do evangelism? _____

12. Write three reasons why evangelism is important.

(1) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

ANSWERS

- 4. Evangelism.
- 8. Because the time is short.
- 12. (1) People are lost.
(2) God wants to save people.
(3) The time is short.
- 3. This is up to you.
- 7. I do not think you would say this.
- 11. Because the time is short.
 - 2. This is up to you, but I do not think we have many years.
- 6. He meant that there are many people who need to be saved.
- 10. No.
 - 1. God wants to save people.
 - 5. Only you can answer this question.
 - 9. This is up to you.

**WEEK 1 – EVANGELISM IS IMPORTANT
DAY 5 – IT HELPS YOU**

Why is Evangelism Important?
(1) People are lost.
(2) God wants to save them.
(3) Time is short.
(4) Evangelism helps you.

1. Why does time make evangelism important? _____

2. What is the last reason why evangelism is important? _____

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Evangelism is important because people are lost and God wants to save them. When people hear the good news, they can receive Christ. They have new life.

But evangelism also helps the one who does this work. When you do evangelism, it helps you. It does two things for you.

- (1) It makes you strong.
- (2) It gives you joy.

3. Lost people are helped when you do evangelism. Who else is helped?

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Yes, you are helped when you do evangelism. It helps you in two ways. The first way is, it makes you strong.

Teachers know that when they teach other people, they learn very well themselves. When you teach other people about God, you learn well about him yourself.

4. When you tell your friend about Jesus, what two people are helped?

(1) _____ (2) _____

When you do evangelism, you grow in your own spirit. You become strong. Speaking God's word helps you overcome temptations. In the book of Revelation we read how the Christians were fighting Satan. Revelation 12:11:

And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.

5. Look carefully at this verse. They conquered Satan by two things. One was the blood of Jesus. What was the other one? _____

These Christians spoke about what God was doing. When they spoke they became strong. In the same way, when you speak, you will become strong. Tell other people about God. This will make you strong. You can overcome Satan's temptations.

6. Who becomes strong when you speak God's word to people? _____

Evangelism is important because it helps you.

7. Write one way in which it helps you. _____

Evangelism does two things for you. First it makes you strong. There is another thing which it does for you. Try to find it in this verse. Psalm 126:6:
He that goes forth weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

8. Look at this verse. When a man brings in the harvest, how does he feel?

God says that His word is like seed. When we do evangelism we are planting God's seed. When people receive Jesus, we are reaping the harvest.

9. How do you feel when someone receives Christ? _____

God says that if we plant the seed, we will have a harvest. He promises that if we do evangelism, some people will receive Jesus. So evangelism helps in two ways.

- (1) It makes you strong.
- (2) It gives you joy.

10. Did you ever have the joy of helping someone receive Jesus? _____

Evangelism helps sinners. It helps them to receive Jesus. Evangelism also helps the ones who do this work. Evangelism will help you.

11. In what two ways will evangelism help you?

- (1) It will make you strong.
- (2) It will give you _____

When people receive Jesus we are happy. Evangelism gives us joy. Evangelism also helps us in another way.

12. What is the other thing it does for us? _____

13. Why is evangelism important to you?

- (1) _____
- (2) _____

14. Write four reasons why evangelism is important.

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
- (3) _____
- (4) _____

ANSWERS

- 1. Because time is short.
- 4. (1) Your friend. (2) You.
- 7. It makes you strong.
- 10. This is up to you.
- 13. (1) It makes you strong.
(2) It gives you joy.
- 2. Evangelism helps you.
- 5. The word of their testimony, or their words.
- 8. He feels happy.
- 11. joy.
- 14. (1) People are lost.
(2) God wants to save people.
(3) The time is short.
(4) Evangelism helps you.
- 3. You are helped.
- 6. You become strong.
- 9. I think you feel happy.
- 12. It makes us strong.