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I received this in a Discipleship Class. It is very informative.

1. When un-churched people walk into

wait so long?"

"My family started out Christian and kind of broke up. I've had three abortions and drug problems. I attended one of the church musicals with a friend, and she brought me to the worship services. I had heard this was a place where I would be loved for who I am. But it took me a while to believe it."



all that hard. But getting them to regularly attend a worship service—that's hard. When we have musicals or other programs do we include others or even the lost? Do we advertise with flyers that look inviting or just information? **Keep inviting the lost, advertise your church, make flyers that will catch the eye of the viewer for events, programs, or meetings!**

6. The effective glue is relationships—friends bringing friends and including them in church life. Research has shown that often people who visit a church and stay, nine were brought by a friend. They have spiritual questions and don't believe they will get the answers there! **Therefore, know your Word; discuss what you learned at church!**

7. The un-churched will come back to a church that feels safe. For them, this is the most important ingredi-

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a building, they are at a different starting point than the un-churched of fifty years ago or even in Jesus' time. **Pray as you see them come in,** that God would do what's needed for their lives!

I asked one woman who was about to be baptized, "How long have you been coming here to church?"

"Two years," she said.

"When did you meet the Lord?"

"Two weeks ago."

I was intrigued. After the service I looked for her and asked, "You have to tell me: Were you here every week for two years, or once a year, or what?"

"I came almost every week."

"And you just received Christ last week?"

"Yes."

"I don't want to make you feel bad," I said, "but why did you

2. The biggest difference between a church successful in outreach and one that is not is willingness to begin with people, and patience with them during the pre-conversion phase. They don't like rules and regulations! Be a people person!

3. They need a safe and often long pre-conversion stage, in which they build confidence in the church, in which they establish the authority of Scripture, and cement relationships. **You taken the imitative to say hello, to remember their name or give compliments?**

4. Un-churched people today distrust the church, and they need to come and just watch for a while. You see they have not rejected God, just church! **Just be yourself and don't fear rejection!**

5. Getting un-churched people to an outreach event isn't

ent. If they don't feel safe with you, they will not stay around long enough

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POINTS OF POWER ON DISCIPLESHIP:

or what preachers are saying. Rely on God's Spirit and pray as the

to hear the truth.

a. People come back to church because they are invited; because they like the preacher; because they are greeted and welcomed, or because they feel safe! If they don't feel safe with you, they will not stay around long enough to hear the truth.

b. You're to love, and the Holy Spirit is to convince.

One man had visited a few outreach events and started attending Saturday night meetings. He realized he was trapped in a homosexual lifestyle and was looking for a way out, but he feared the church would reject him. One day he came up to me after a service and said, "I'm a homosexual. I've been attending for several months and been watching your demeanor. I'm persuaded this is a pretty safe place. I want to commit my life to Christ."

We prayed, and afterward I introduced him to the leaders of our ministry to homosexuals. He joined the program, and three months later he handed me a letter. "The deciding moment in my life for overcoming homosexual desires," he wrote, "was when I came up to you and told you where I was. After sitting in services for several months, I guessed I would be accepted. When I introduced myself to you, the look in your eye told me I was accepted. I knew you saw a person rather than a gay person. At that moment I knew I was free."

8. Un-churched people assume churches don't want people with sin problems. They assume those who come to church are perfect—or hypocritical enough to act like they are. When your jaw doesn't drop at their sins, they feel safe. When the pastor is transparent in sermons, it gives seekers permission to have problems.

9. They can't understand what's going on

preacher is preaching!

10. Lastly, a question: What does Christians have that other religions don't have? "GRACE" (God's Redemption At Christ's Expense!)

Evangelism is PROCLAIMING THE Good News of the Salvation of Jesus Christ with the view of Reconciliation of the Sinner.

It is also COMMUNICATING the benefits of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ to rescue an individual from the power, the penalty, and the presence of sin! And it is a process.

Don't feel guilty or pressured if you don't witness verbally to everyone. God will work through your personality and your faithfulness to draw others into His kingdom. However, in some way or another we are to witness to someone in our lifetime. Matthew 28:19 is our marching papers.

Go ye therefore and teach all nations.

PLACES WE ARE BEING TRAINED TO GO:

- THE NURSING HOME
- HOSPITAL
- DAYCARE CENTERS FOR SENIORS
- AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS
- PASSING OUT INFORMATION
- PRAYING IN HOMES
- MORE BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS IN HOMES
- INVITING THE LOST TO CHURCH (may it be friend or relative)
- THE GROCERY STORE
- THE PHONE AND INTERNET

There is...

The power of three in prayer
-- Matthew 18:18-20

A partner or partners will strengthen you in your faith, keep you consistent, and all using the power of the Holy Spirit to bombard heaven, something is bound to happen.

The Power of your Passion
– Galatians 2:20; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 10:45

Passion drives us. It's that desire that pushes you to want to see someone else saved, set free, and delivered. Jesus' passion kept Him focused on His mission. Our passion should drive us to surrender our all to Him.

The Power of knowing the Cost – Matthew 16:24-26; Luke 14:26-33

Adjust your life by surrendering all to Jesus. Think about the joy that comes from the response of Jesus' call (for both you and the sinner). The cost is tough because it's connected to pain. Giving up what you want is a cost that will gain you everything!

YOUR ASSIGNMENT:

**In this next week—ask 10 people you don't know—
"Do you believe in a real heaven and a real hell?"**

For me this assignment got me out of being fearful of going up to a perfect stranger.

It kept me prayerful.

It kept me relying on God.

And it kept me knowing that

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CON'T they haven't rejected me, but they have rejected Christ! You always have to keep that in mind.

WITHOUT APPLICATION THERE IS NO DEVELOP-

MENT OF LEARNING.

I've went to the Mall to do the survey; I even went to the supermarket parking lot to hand out my Newsletter. I told them it

was free, but some still didn't want it. Some took it and threw it away. Now that hurt. But some kept it. I stayed until almost all were gone, well until the manager of the store came out. I knew it was time to go. I really didn't

see the no soliciting sign (smile). The bottom line is: they can say yes or no. God has given free-will. Don't get angry. Just go on to the next one the Spirit leads you to. Truly, try it and see what God is able to do. **God Bless!**

STIFF JOINTS

¹Stiffness is the feeling that the motion of a joint is limited or difficult. The feeling is not caused by weakness or reluctance to move the joint due to pain. Some people with stiffness are capable of moving the joint through its full range of motion, but this movement can require force. Joint stiffness caused by inflam-

mation usually occurs or is worse immediately after awakening or after prolonged resting or immobility. Stiffness is common with arthritis. Morning stiffness commonly occurs with rheumatoid arthritis and other types of inflammatory arthritis and gradually lessens with activity after an hour or longer. Stiffness that gets worse as the day progresses is usually not caused by inflammation.

Doctors can sometimes diagnose the cause of stiffness by the person's

other symptoms and the results of a physical examination. Different types of arthritis may affect different joints. How long stiffness lasts can also be a clue. For example, if stiffness lasts for less than 15 minutes, the joint is probably not inflamed. The person is examined to make sure that the problem is not due to pain with motion or weakness. Doctors examine the muscles as well as the joints to make sure that the problem is not muscle rigidity as occurs in Parkinson disease or muscle spasticity that occurs in strokes and

spinal cord disorders. Because inflammatory arthritis is often the cause of joint stiffness, blood tests (for example, rheumatoid factor) and x-rays or ultrasonography may be done.

Stiffness is relieved by treating the disorder causing it. Stretching, physical therapy, and taking a hot shower after waking may relieve stiffness and improve the ability to perform activities.

¹http://www.merckmanuals.com/home/bone_joint_and_muscle_disorders/symptoms_of_musculoskeletal_disorders/joint_stiffness.html



Father, place that love in me for souls to be saved for Your kingdom. Keep my spirit attentive and sensitive to Your leading. Work in me to get me to that place of hearing Your still voice. At that point, Holy Spirit give me the boldness to move and obey. I need Your help! I need Your counsel! *"My meat is to do*

the Will of the Father of Him who sends me and to finish His work." I pray for the breaking of the fallow ground in those You send; the soil soften to plant more seed; the walls coming down and they begin to make a conscious decision to accept You as Lord and Savior as they hear the truth about You. May they see Your kindness and respect for them in

me. The truth will make them free. As I do so, the Holy Spirit will be able to do His work in them. I thank You for many souls to be harvested for the kingdom. I pray for the desire and filling of more workers in the vineyard to change courses; their plans, and implore others to look at life; to see where they're going when they leave earth—heaven or hell; and to ask

why they think so! Lord, let them know that sin will be the problem that keeps them out of heaven if they have not accepted You.

Everyday You consistently get us up, not for our sake, but for Your sake, and I thank You! You give us chance after chance. May we learn to depend upon Your leading and do the work you have called us to. In Jesus' Name **Amen! And Thank you!**

POWER IN THE WORD MINISTRY

For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12.

MY MISSION: Reach and encourage others in letting you know that God is able to do the impossible.

MY VISION: Articles to be written in a Book to inspire others.

IT CAN HAPPEN

How much more shall your Father which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him? Matthew 7:11b

MY MISSION: Use this God-given gift for His glory!

MY VISION: Teach others to reach for those God given gifts in them!

On The Web—pitwm.net

Quote

"We should be more concerned with reaching the lost than pampering the saved." — David McGee

"Nothing is really lost by a life of sacrifice; everything is lost by failure to obey God's call." — Henry P Liddon

Scripture For The Month

"Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here [am] I; send me ." Isaiah 6:8

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. Romans 1:16

DATES TO REMEMBER 2014

- MAY 29 Last Day of School
- JUNE 14 Flag Day
- JUNE 15 Father's Day
- JUNE 19 Juneteenth (Emancipation Proclamation)
- JUNE 21 First Day of Summer

Search / Scrabble Quiz:

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- 7. _ _ _ _
- 8. _ _ _ _
- 9. _ _ _ _ _ _ _
- 10. _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

In well doing... (Answer) _ _ _ _ _

LORD, LORD

Luke 6:46 "And why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" The **boldface**

- words are hidden in the puzzle.
- Ye call me **Master**...and **obey** me not.
- Ye call me **Light**...and **see** me not.
- Ye call me **Way**...and **walk** me not.
- Ye call me **Life**...and **desire** me not.
- Ye call me **Wise**...and **follow** me not.
- Ye call me **Rich**...and **ask** me not.

- Ye call me **Eternal**...and **seek** me not.
- Ye call me **Gracious**...and **trust** me not.
- Ye call me **Noble**...and **serve** me not.
- Ye call me **Mighty**...and **honor** me not.
- Ye call me **Just**...and **fear** me not.
- If I **condemn** you...**blame** me not.

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LABOR ON!

Like productive farmers, we can't be sleeping on the job when there's a chance to bring in a goodly harvest. So get your pencil ready, work these words, and reap a wonderful answer (Galatians 6).

- 1. NERDUB
- 2. ORETSER
- 3. ESSNOA
- 4. NRCSNOIAT
- 5. PURCTOR
- 6. TRITEWIN
- 7. RGECA
- 8. LAFUT
- 9. KARTEVNOE
- 10. CLASPEEIYL

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- 6. WRITTEN
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- 8. FAULT
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- 10. ESPECIALLY

- 1. BURDEN
- 2. RESTORE
- 3. SEASON
- 4. CONSTRAIN
- 5. CORRUPT