

## **TEN HABITS to Effectively Share Your Faith**

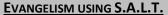
"The Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." - Luke 19:10

"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect" - 1 Peter 3:15

**What is successful witnessing?** Successful witnessing is simply taking the <u>INITIATIVE</u> to share Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, and leaving the results up to God.

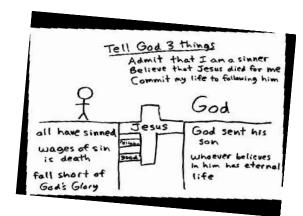
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- 1. Take initiative by MAKING APPOINTMENTS with not-yet believers every week!
- 2. Pray every day for an **OPPORTUNITY** to share!
- 3. Pray consistently for an **IMPACT LIST** of 3 not-yet believers.
- 4. Walk with God! Matthew 4:19
- 5. Practice <u>radical acceptance</u> of those who are far from God. "You don't need to be a lifestyle referee."
- 6. Practice sharing **your own story** about meeting Christ. (There's a right way and a wrong way.)
- 7. Learn **several ways** to <u>simply</u> share God's story. Gospel booklets, Bridge Illustration, DO versus DONE, Ladder Illustration, Many others...
- 8. **Ask** guestions and **listen** to the answers. Use S.A.L.T. to share the Gospel.
- 9. Throw a <u>Matthew Party</u> where Christians and not-yet Christians can have meaningful conversations. Matthew 9:9-13
- 10. Focus on the **Gospel** and not on secondary issues. Make it about **Jesus**!



## S - Start a conversation

- "Hi, we're from the BSM and we're out inviting people to our Bible study. Have you ever thought about joining Bible Study? What is your spiritual background?
- "Hi, we're part of the BSM and we come out every week to talk to people about what they believe. Can we talk with you for a minute? What is your spiritual background?"
- A Ask Questions
- L Listen to the answers
- T Talk about the Good News



## **TOP QUESTIONS FOR GOSPEL CONVERSATIONS**

- What is your spiritual background? What did that look like growing up?
  What does it look like now?
- 2. Oh, you said you're a Christian, what makes you a Christian?
- 3. What does it take to go to heaven? How sure are you, on a percentage that you'll go to heaven?
- 4. Suppose you were to stand before God today and he asked you, why should I let you into heaven? What would you think to say?
- 5. Do you know what the Gospel is? (the heart of Christianity, the central message of the Bible, the overall reason that Jesus came, what it means to be a Christian) Can I share it with you in about 4 or 5 minutes?