17. HOW TO LEAD A PERSON TO CHRIST

Four stages to be mastered are:

- I. Starting the conversation
- II. Verses to share and questions to ask
- III. How to challenge a person to receive Christ as their Saviour
- IV. Giving assurance of salvation.

Use these questions by going through the "STOP" tract.

Aim for an appointment where you can go through this "STOP" tract without interruption.

I. STARTING THE CONVERSATION. HOW?

- Question 1: Excuse me, may I leave this pamphlet with you? Hand it to them and when they take it, say, "This just explains how you can come to know God personally and have eternal life. Have you thought much about God before?"
- **Question 2:** May I ask you a question? (Yes)
- **Question 3:** If you were to die tonight (or sometime) do you know 100% for sure that you would go to heaven?
- Question 4: Would you like to be sure?
- **Question 5:** This pamphlet shows us how to be sure from the Bible. May we look at it? If you open it up you'll find it makes 4 points.

II. VERSES TO SHARE AND QUESTIONS TO ASK.

1. ALL HAVE SINNED

Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read the first heading and the verse please? **Question 2:** What do you think is the main idea in this verse? (All have sinned). **Question 3:** What does sin mean? (Breaking God's laws)

These pictures explain what sin is.

- Sin is running away from God, going our own way, putting ourselves first, breaking the chief and second commandments of not loving God and our neighbour.
- Sin separates us from God, like a fight puts a wall between 2 friends.
- If you can imagine a scale of 0-100% perfection, God is 100% perfect, but we, compared with God, are about 0% perfect. Compared with each other we are "good" but compared with God's perfection we are all big sinners.

• Sin is breaking the Ten Commandments. Number 1 says "No other Gods", yet how often have we all put something or ourselves ahead of God.

[continue this with each commandment up to number ten].

- Question 4: Under the pictures it says "We are all great sinners compared with the HOLINESS OF GOD". Do you agree that you, me and everybody in the world is a big sinner compared with God? (Yes).
- **Question 5:** Do you want Jesus Christ, who is the God of the Bible, to be your God?
- Question 6: Do you want to finish with sin and come to be friends with God?

2. PUNISHMENT ON SIN IS DEATH.

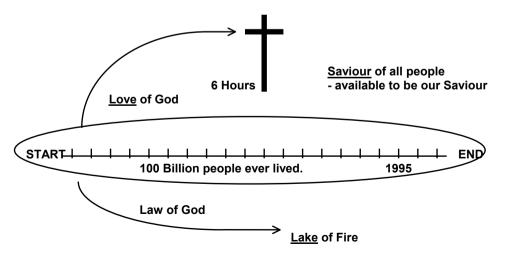
Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read the second heading & the verses underneath please?

- Question 2: We've just seen that we are all big sinners compared with God. Well, what is the consequence of this? The wages of sin is death. This means that because we have all sinned by breaking God's laws, we are all heading to death.
- What is death? (2 deaths: the first death is when our body dies. But there is a second death which is more serious).
- Question 3: What is the second death in the last verse? (Lake of Fire). This means that because we have all sinned, the law of God says that we are all heading to the Lake of Fire. This is bad news. I don't want to go to the lake of fire as a punishment for my sins. You don't want to go to the lake of fire and God doesn't want us to go to the lake of fire. Is there a way of not going to the lake of fire? Yes. Notice the good news: God is offering us a free gift of eternal life.
- **Question 4:** What is the normal meaning of "gift?" (a present, just take it or leave it, receive it or reject it).
- **Question 5:** What is "eternal life?" (going to heaven when we die and knowing God now as our close personal friend).
- **Question 6:** Who do we get eternal life through? (Jesus Christ our Lord). Notice, (pointing to Ephesians 2:8, 9) that we don't get it through our good works, or any religion, but only through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Notice what God has done for us.

3. JESUS TOOK ALL OUR PUNISHMENT

- **Question 1:** Would you be so kind as to read the 3rd heading and the verse under it please?
- **Question 2:** What do you think is the main idea in this verse? (Christ died for us). **Question 3:** What does this mean?

Explain this and draw this sketch:



If you can cast your imagination back 2000 years ago to when Christ was dying on the cross (draw cross). God knew about everybody who ever lived from the start to the end of the human race (draw a time line from start to end). God knew about you and me living now in 1995 (draw 2 lines). God knew about every sin that I did from the day I was born till the day I will die. God knew about every sin that you would do from the day you were born to the day you will die.

God knew about everybody's sins who ever lived in the past and God knew about everybody's sins who would ever live in the future (draw many lines before and after 1995).

When Jesus was dying on the cross, God took all the sins off you, me and everybody who ever lived past, present and future, transferring all those sins off us, and placing them on to Jesus Christ. God regarded Jesus as the sinner and God the Father made Jesus Christ Take the full punishment on the cross in about 6 hours for all our sins, instead of punishing us forever in the lake of fire. (draw a circle around the timeline and draw an arrow on to Christ and an arrow into the lake of fire). "The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all". Isaiah 53:6

Jesus became the **SAVIOUR** (or sin-bearer or substitute) of all people, taking the full punishment for all our sins on the cross instead of us being punished forever for our sins in the lake of fire. (write: **"SAVIOUR of all people"** next to the cross, and underneath it write **"AVAILABLE to be our SAVIOUR"**.)

Jesus is now the Saviour of all people and He is ready and available to be your Saviour, if you want Him to be. So right now, all your, mine and everybody's past, present and future sins have been paid for by Jesus on the cross.

Note: People have estimated that 100 billion people have lived in recorded history (write 100 billion). Can you imagine how you would feel being punished forever for your sins in the lake of fire? Can you multiply that punishment that you would have gone through by 100 billion people's punishment? Can you imagine all that punishment being squeezed onto one man, Jesus Christ, in about 6 hours? That's what Jesus Christ went through on the cross for you and me.

So, right now, every sin that you, me and everybody ever did, Jesus Christ has been punished for them in full on the Cross.

The door into heaven is now open for all people to enter. But how may we enter heaven? **Point 4** tells us how:

4. a) BELIEVE that Jesus Christ

- is GOD the SON
- DIED IN OUR PLACE
- ROSE AGAIN BODILY from the DEAD, then

b) RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST as their SAVIOUR

- Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read Point 4 please?
- **Explanation:** Have you heard that we must believe in Christ to enter Heaven? What does "believe in Christ" mean?
- Answer: Believe has 2 parts.We must believe 3 things in our mind, then act on them by doing pt 4b
- Question 2: Do you believe that Jesus Christ is 100% God come to earth as a man? (Yes)

- **Question 3:** Do you believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross in our place being punished for all our past, present and future sins to become our Saviour? (Yes).
- Question 4: Do you believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead bodily after 3 days and is alive today? (If yes) That means you are halfway there. All you need to do now is to tell God that you now receive Jesus Christ as your Saviour. This means that you now accept Christ's Blood-sacrifice on the cross as the full payment for your sins, trusting Christ alone to save you, not your good works or any religion. Then we are given free forgiveness and eternal life right now.
- **Explanation of 3 Pictures**: It's like God offering us all a pardon, which is Jesus Christ as our Saviour. When we receive Jesus Christ as our Saviour (now point to the second picture), all our sins and guilt fall off us, and (point to the third picture) Jesus Christ has taken the full punishment for our sins on our behalf.

We can be sure of this because of promises God has given us to claim in the Bible.

- **Back page:** These 3 verses each have a condition that we must claim and a promise that God will give to us.
- John 1:12
 - **Question 1:** Would you read the top verse please?
 - Question 2: What must we do in the first part of the verse?(we must receive Christ as our Savior

Question 3: What will we then become in the second part of the verse? (sons of God) **Explanation:** This means that we get born into God's family. God becomes our Heavenly Father and we become His sons. We may then call God "Dear Heavenly Father" and we are "Born Again." Have you heard that before? You know how you were born many years ago into your parent's family? (yes) That was your first birthday. When you receive Christ as your Saviour you get born again into God's family and you get a second birthday.

- Romans 10:13
- Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read the middle verse please?
- Question 2: What must we do in the first part of the verse?

(We must call on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to save us).

Question 3: When we call on Christ to save us, what will happen to us? (we shall be saved)

- **Question 4:** Saved from what? (Lake of Fire)
- Question 5: If this person dies 50 years later, where would they go to? (heaven)
- Question 6: Why? (Because they called on Christ to save them and He saved them.)
- I John 5: 12,13
- Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read the third verse, please?
- **Question 2:** If a person has the Son by receiving Christ as Saviour, what do they also have? (eternal life).
- **Question 3:** If a person has not got the Son as Saviour, what is true?(They don't have eternal life
- Question 4: Is it possible to know for sure that one has eternal life? (yes).

III. HOW TO CHALLENGE A PERSON TO RECEIVE CHRIST AS SAVIOUR.

Do you see the 2-ways picture? This shows that there are 2 ways in life: the way of death leading to hell and the way of life leading to heaven. We are all born on the way of death leading to hell, but when we receive Christ as our Saviour, we pass from death to life and from hell to heaven.

Question 1: You may ask: "How may we receive Christ as our Saviour?".

- Answer: We need to claim the promises in the top three verses. If we receive Christ as Saviour, we become sons of God. If we call on Christ to save us, we shall be saved. If we receive the Son as our Saviour, we become sons of God.
- **Question 2:** These promises have been summarised in the prayer at the bottom of the page. Would you be so kind as to read it quietly to yourself to see if it makes sense?
- Question 3: Does it make sense? (yes)
- Question 4: Does this prayer express what you honestly want God to do? (yes)
- **Question 5:** God is in this room now and hears everything we say and think. If you tell this to God and mean it, then God will hear you, Jesus Christ will save you, give you eternal life and you'll become a son of God.

Would you like to tell this to God right now? Maybe, to make it easier, I could say a few words at a time and if you say it after me speaking it to God, then God would hear you and give you eternal life right away. Would that be all right? (yes).

(He prays the prayer at the bottom of the page, a phrase at a time, after you).

IV. HOW TO GIVE ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

- Romans 10:13
- Question 1: Would you be so kind as to read the second top verse please.
- Question 2: Just then, did you call on Christ to save you from your sins and the lake of fire, take you to heaven when you die, and give you the gift of eternal life? (yes)
- Question 3: Were you honest? (yes)
- Question 4: Then, what does God say that you are now? (saved)
- Question 5: Saved from what? (sins and the lake of fire)
- Question 6: If you died now, where would you go? (Heaven)
- Question 7: Why? (because I called on Christ to save me and God says I'm saved).
- Question 8: Is God's Word true? (Yes, then we can be sure of heaven. Right?)
- John 1:12
- **Question 1:** Would you read the top verse please?
- **Question 2:** Just then, did you receive Christ as your Saviour? (yes)
- **Question 3:** What does God say that you are now? (A son of God).
- You are now in God's Family. God is now your Heavenly Father and you are His son. You may now call God, "Dear Heavenly Father." This is called being "BORN AGAIN." Today is your second birthday.
- **Question 4:** Would you like to write today's date at the bottom of the page? (sign and date tract, which they may keep).
- 1 John 5: 12,13
- **Question 1:** Would you be so kind as to read the third verse please?
- Question 2: Did you receive Jesus Christ the Son as your Saviour? (yes)
- Question 3: Since you now have the Son, what do you also have? (eternal life)

- Question 4: If you died tonight, where would you go? (Heaven)
- **Question 5:** Why? (because you have Christ as your Saviour)
- Question 6: Can you know for sure that you have eternal life? (yes)
- Question 7: Why? (Because God says, "that ye may know that ye have eternal life)

• John 5:24

- **Question 1:** Would you please read the verse next to the diagram?
- **Question 2:** What 3 things do you now have? (eternal life, won't be condemned to the lake of fire, but is passed from death to life).
- John 10:28
- Question 1: Is it possible to lose eternal life?
- Question 2: Would you read John 10:28 please?
- Question 3: What does "never perish" mean? (never lose eternal life.We can, however lose rewards)

Question 1: Romans 10:9 is a test to prove you are really saved.

Two conditions will be true if you are saved.

Firstly, you have already told me that you believe God raised Christ from the dead. True? (yes)

Secondly, you have not yet had a chance to confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus. This means that if you can tell just one person, "I have received the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour," it means that you were honest when you called on Christ to save you. Would you like to tell me or a friend that you have received Christ as your Saviour? (yes). Then get him to tell you or someone else now.

- **Question 2:** God knows all about you and me, but we don't know all about God. How can we learn more about God?
- **Answer:** By reading the Bible daily, starting at the books of either John or Matthew, by coming to church, by praying and by having a Bible study together.
- **Question 3:** Would you like to get together some time this week to answer some questions that you may have? (when and where)
- Question 4: Who do you know that you would like to see saved? When can we see them to tell them how to have eternal life?

18. SOUL WINNING TEST QUESTIONS

1. State 5 fishing places:

b)	
C)	
d)	
e)	

2. Give 5 questions to ask to start a Soul Winning conversation:

a)	
e)	

3. Give 4 stages in leading a person to Christ:

a)	
b)	
cŚ	
d)	
u)	

4. A. Explain 'all have sinned' according to the tract to someone. Get that person to sign that you have done it correctly:

Signature:

B. Give 4 questions to ask under Point 1: . a)

u)	
b)	
cŚ	
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a)	

5. A. Explain 'punishment on sin is death' to someone. Get that person to sign that you have done it.

Signature:

B. Give 6 questions to ask under Point 2:

a)	
b)	
c)	
d)	
u)	
e)	
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6. A. Give 3 questions to ask under point 3, "JESUS TOOK ALL OUR PUNISHMENT":

	Q1: Q2: Q3:
	B. Explain 'Christ died for us' to someone, drawing the sketch. Get that person to sign that you have done it correctly. Memorize this explanation word for word.
Si	gnature:
7.	A. Explain to someone what it means to "believe in or on Christ" using 4 questions:Q1:Q2:
	Q3: Q4:
8.	A. Ask 3 questions of John 1:12. Q1: Q2: Q3:
	Write out the explanation that follows:
	B. Ask 6 questions of Romans 10:13. Q1: Q2: Q3: Q4: Q5: Q6:

C. Ask 4 questions of I John 5:12.13.

Q1:	 	 	
Q2:	 	 	
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9. Explain the "TWO-WAYS" Diagram to someone. Get that person to sign that you have done it correctly:

Signature:.....

10. Give 5 questions used to challenge a person to receive Christ as Savio Q1: Q2: Q3: Q4: Q5: Get that person to sign that you have done it correctly.	ur.
Signature:	
11. Give 8 questions to ask of Romans 10:13 to give a person assurance of salvation: Q1: Q2: Q3: Q4: Q5: Q6: Q7: Q8:	of
12. Give 4 questions to ask of John 1:12 to give assurance of salvation: Q1: Q2: Q3: Q4:	
13. Give 7 questions to ask of I John 5:12,13 to give assurance of salvation Q1: Q2: Q3: Q4: Q5: Q6: Q7:	ו:
14. Give 2 questions to ask of John 5:24 to give assurance of salvation: Q1: Q2:	
 15. Give 3 questions to ask of John 10:28 that help reinforce the security o believer: Q1: Q2: Q3: 	f the

16. In Romans 10:9, what 2 conditions will be true if he is genuinely saved: Test 1: Test 2:
17. What 2 things do you give him after he is saved? a) b)
 18. What 5 pieces of information do you ask him for after he is saved? a) b) c) d) e)
19. What 10 things should you tell a new Christian after he is saved? a) b) c) d) e) f) g) h) g)
20. How will you get him to come to church? a) b)
21. Name 10 lessons you may teach him in follow-up Bible studies: a) b) c) d) e) f) g) h) i) j) The whole assessment is worth 100 marks, the above being worth 50. To obtain the remaining 50 marks for this subject, use the above approach with 10 people, either through door-knocking, open air or somewhere else. Bring one person to church. Try this approach. It contains the Word of God. It really works.

19. ADVANTAGES of using the 'STOP' TRACT in SOUL WINNING

Problem: Why is the world not yet won to Christ? Why are Christians fearful of evangelizing?

<u>Answer</u>: It is because most Christians do not know how to share the Gospel clearly with an unbeliever. The sad fact is that 80% of Christians have never led anyone to Christ.

The average Christian does not know:

- a) How to start a conversation with an unbeliever in an unembarrassing way, nor does he know:
- b) What verses to use to share the gospel, nor the logical order of the verses, nor the questions to ask to keep the person's interest, nor does he know:
- c) How to challenge a person to receive Christ as Saviour, nor does he know:
- d) How to give assurance of salvation to a new convert.
- e) As well, he is scared of rejection, so he keeps quiet.

Because of these problems in a Christian's mind, he, being fearful of rejection and failure, never even bothers to attempt to share the gospel and so he remains spiritually unfruitful, never seeing anyone saved, and justifies this lack of fruit by saying things like:

- a) I don't have the gift of evangelizing, that others have.
- b) It's not up to us to share the gospel, it is the work of the Holy Spirit.
- c) I do other things well like teaching the Bible, etc.
- d) Don't make me feel guilty by telling me that I should share the gospel.

Sharing the gospel by using the **STOP** tract is a presentation that any average Christian can learn to use successfully. The only reason you will not see results from this pamphlet is if you don't try to use it. Soul winning is like anything else in life. It must be learned.

Do you find these reasons for using the **STOP** tract convincing enough for you to use it regularly to share the Gospel?

- 1. People can understand the gospel better with a visual aid.
- 2. Getting them to read Roman road verses **keeps them concentrating** on the plan of salvation more than by you just telling them.
- 3. When you ask them to tell you what a verse means, it is their interpretation and they consider their interpretation to be right. They will never argue with their interpretation.
- **4.** People will always remain interested as long as **they are doing the talking**. You thus keep their concentration on the gospel message.
- 5. A good conversation must be a **two-way dialogue**, not just you doing all the talking.
- 6. When you ask questions you know by their answers if they understand the gospel message.
- 7. The STOP pamphlet keeps you on a logical path.
- If they side-track you, you can always bring them back to the Gospel.
- 8. If they don't get saved then, they may get **saved later** at home.
- **9.** New Christians can easily lead people to Christ because they don't need to memorise verses. The verses are all written out. They just need to be able to read and ask others to read verses.

- **10.** The new Christian can easily **memorise Romans 10:13** to get assurance of salvation.
- 11. They can record their spiritual birthday.
- 12. They can instantly get **security** of salvation by reading **John 10:28**.
- 13. It is a proven workable method when followed correctly.
- 14. It contains all the key verses on salvation and omits the non essential verses.
- **15.** It stops you from talking too much and too long.
- 16. It is the cheapest tract available (2 cents a copy. You may print it copyright free.)
- 17. It leads easily to follow up of the new Christian by using the Answers Book.
- 18. Several pictures describe each concept. For example:
 - 4 pictures describe "all have sinned"
 - 3 pictures describe "penalty of sin"
 - 1 picture describes "Christ paid penalty"
 - 3 pictures describe "how to receive Christ as Saviour"
 - 1 picture describes "passing from death to life"
- 19. It has **BIG PRINT** so that old people with bad eyesight can read it.
- **20.** Thirteen pictures make it interesting to read. Ten key Scripture verses hit the mark.
- 21. The STOP tract is meant to be gone through and explained to people to lead them to Christ, not just given out.
- 22. It is available in twenty languages.
- **23.** Everyone gets used to using the one tract. This removes the confusion of using various tracts. One good workable tract is better than 100 unfamiliar tracts.
- 24. It takes the fear out of starting a soul winning conversation. It's as easy as giving out a tract. Give it to a person as a conversation starter: Say, "This pamphlet explains how to be sure of going to heaven. If you died sometime

do you know 100% for sure that you would go to heaven?" Would you like to be sure? This shows how.

25. This approach has been **tested**, **tried** and **shown to work thousands of times** over 30 years of soul winning.

Every bug has been ironed out of it.

- 26. It is short, simple, not complicated, and easy to use.
- 27. Instructions on how to use it are in THE "ANSWERS" BOOK, chapter 17.
- **28.** It takes the pressure off you starting the conversation because the tract becomes the unbeliever's focus of attention, not you.
- 29. It takes the pressure off you not knowing what to say as the tract tells you what to say.
- **30.** Multiplication of souls saved, soul winners trained, disciples and soul-winning pastors accelerates more quickly if everyone gets used to using the same tract, as well as training others in the use of the one tract.

20. MISSIONARY STRATEGY and DUTY STATEMENT

This is the mission strategy and duty statement that Liberty Baptist Church (LBC) requires of missionaries and pastors it sends out to a foreign mission field. LBC intends to have field representatives to visit and encourage affiliated pastors and churches.

Our missionaries' duties are to:

- 1. Meet key national Independent Baptist pastors in foreign countries.
- 2. Give a copy of our LBC **Statement of Faith** to every pastor to see if they can agree to work with us on the basis of full agreement with our doctrine and outreach strategy.
- 3. **Translate and print STOP tracts**, **train pastors**, showing workers how to use them properly, and distribute them to local churches in our fellowship free of charge.
- 4. Conduct a pastors school to teach pastors, workers, and students:
 - a) how to use the STOP tract to do soul winning;
 - b) LBC Bible Doctrine and Statement of Faith;
 - c) answers to major false doctrines in their area;
 - d) how to disciple their people, and get their people discipling by multiplication;
 - e) how to use the ANSWERS book as a teaching tool; and
 - f) how pastors can become self supporting.
- 5. **Visit existing churches** to teach soul winning, to distribute STOP tracts, and start soul winning outreach programs.
- 6. Visit new churches willing to affiliate with LBC to assist them with tracts, Bibles, etc.
- 7. Endeavour to start a Bible College to be taught and administered by national workers.
- 8. If LBC sends and supports a missionary, he must be **100% loyal to** and **under the authority** of LBC and not under the authority of any other religious organisation. If he is not willing to work according to these strategy guidelines, he disqualifies himself from LBC support. If he changes his doctrinal position after going to the mission field, his support is to be cut off after 2 unheeded warnings.
- 9. LBC members shall **review annually** the activities, efficiency, and appropriate level of financial support of each missionary.
- 10. The missionary must **present the gospel in one session with unsaved people** and not spread the one gospel presentation over months or years. Every effort must be made to make the gospel his first message to unsaved people. He **must challenge unsaved people to receive Christ as Saviour after each gospel presentation.** Sharing the gospel to unsaved people must take precedence over teaching other Scripture unless the other Scripture is used as a brief background to the gospel message. **He must not delay giving the gospel** to unsaved people lest they die and go to hell.
- 11. He shall conduct individual and group discipleship Bible studies in churches.
- 12. He shall **coordinate nationals to start other Independent Baptist churches** of the LBC doctrine.
- 13. The missionary must only use tracts approved by LBC.
- 14. The "Jesus" video shall be used where possible in outreach to other areas.

- 15. He shall **challenge believers to be baptised** as soon as possible after salvation in the local Independent Baptist church.
- 16. He must present the gospel using the STOP tract at least once every week.
- 17. The missionary must sign that if he stops doing or believing these things that he shall tell us so we can assess if his support is to be continued or not. He shall be asked to show evidence of his missionary activities to substantiate his adherence to LBC doctrine.
- 18. He shall keep a missionary journal including daily narrative, summary of events, living conditions, new needs; statistics, name and number saved and baptised; date of Bible seminars; contacts, resources available (eg. clinics, transport); financial records; interesting events (eg. chief getting saved, new areas of opportunity).
- 19. Each national church shall be independent and Baptist in doctrine, solely responsible for their own decisions. There shall not be an external hierarchy telling local churches what to do. LBC shall act in an advisory capacity to the local church and supporting the local church by providing tracts, workers handbooks, Bibles and other doctrinally sound material.
 - In return, LBC fellowship expects local churches to:
 - a) fellowship in harmony with other churches in the fellowship;
 - b) **use STOP tracts** (or other LBC approved tracts) to rapidly spread the gospel to their people
 - c) seek to **train new pastors** in the LBC Bible College, not in other Colleges unless LBC approved
 - d) be loyal to other LBC churches; and not to sow discord among the brethren. (Prov. 6:16-19)
- 20. He shall communicate with LBC at least every 3 months to give an update on the mission work and to advise of any activities in his mission area that may influence or restrict him in conducting his mission work these activities could by political, military, social, environmental or religious. He must inform LBC immediately of any activities that place his ministry or health at risk.
- 21. He shall provide accurate and reliable records of all expenditure.
- 22. He shall keep records in a book of the **names of people saved** to assist him in their follow up, to see them baptised and regular in church attendance. This record could be extended to include the names of potential converts.
- 23. Members of LBC may designate special offerings to specific needs such as printing of tracts, Bibles, buildings, books, and national pastor support.
- 24. Missionaries sent and supported by LBC must have a **proven track record of leading people to Christ** in Australia using our soul winning approach. Each national church should contribute to another country's LBC church missions project.

21. WHY CHRISTIANS SHOULD DO SOUL-WINNING

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:3-21; Proverbs 11:30

I. WHAT IS SOUL-WINNING?

Soul Winning is <u>starting a conversation with an unsaved person</u>, and sharing God's plan of Salvation with him, from the Bible, so that he clearly <u>understands HOW</u> he may <u>receive</u> <u>Christ</u> as his <u>Saviour</u>, and <u>have eternal life</u>. It is leading a person to Christ.

II. WHY SHOULD WE DO SOUL-WINNING?

These reasons must be firmly grounded in our minds, and we must teach them to every person that we disciple as soon as possible.

- 1. God commands us to. "Go and preach the gospel to every creature". Mark 16:15.
- 2. That is <u>why Christ came.</u>' The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost' Luke 19:10
- 3. We must ALL appear before the <u>Judgment Seat of Christ</u> to <u>receive REWARDS</u> for faithfully serving Christ. II Corinthians 5:10.
- Because of HELL "knowing the terror of the Lord, we persuade men". II Corinthians 5:11. Hell is HOT, Heaven is SWEET, and JESUS SAVES". See Luke 16:19-31; Mark 9:42-48.
- 5. THE LOVE OF CHRIST Compels us. II Corinthians 5:14.
- People are BLESSED by being saved, and by becoming a new creature. II Corinthians. 5:17.
- 7. God has given us the MINISTRY (Job) of Reconciliation. II Corinthians 5:18. This job is to bring God and man together.
- 8. We are AMBASSADORS for CHRIST. II Corinthians 5:20.
- 9. So Christ will say to us: <u>"Well done</u> thou good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:21.
- 10. Soul Winners are the **BEST** Christians. Matthew 4:19.
- 11. Soul Winners will shine as the stars forever. Daniel 12:3.
- 12. So that we won't be ashamed before Christ. 1 John 2:28.
- 13. There is a great need, but few labourers (Soul winners). Matthew 9:36-38.
- 14. JESUS was a soul winner. John 4; Luke 19:10.
- 15. Not to have **BLOODY HANDS**. Ezekiel 3:17,18.
- 16. We have <u>very little time</u> to do soul-winning (John 9:4). We can't do S.W. in heaven, only on Earth.
- 17. <u>Soul Winning and Disciple making</u> is the <u>only hope</u> to save Australia from sin, judgment and bad government. Ezekiel 22:30.
- 18. We'll PERISH without a VISION of Soul Winning and Disciple Making. Proverbs 29:18.
- 19. Soul Winning glorifies Christ. When people get saved, they praise God.
- 20. Soul Winners are WISER, know the Bible BETTER, and have LESS FEAR.
- 21. GIVE (the Gospel), and it shall be given unto you. Luke 6:38.

Look after God's interests and He'll look after yours.

- 22. To plant and build Soul-Winning churches all over the world.
- 23. To HURT SATAN and to make heaven rejoice. Luke 15:3-7.
- 24. It's a PRIVILEGE that angels don't have. Acts 10:3-8.
- 25. Those you win to Christ will thank you in heaven, and love you always.
- 26. God gives <u>greater opportunities</u> for service (in this life and the next) to those who are faithful in little things such as Soul-Winning. Matthew 25:21.
- 27. It's great to see God use you.
- 28. If we don't win them to Christ, the world or cults will win them for Satan.
- 29. "WOE is unto me if I preach NOT the gospel". 1 Corinthians 9:16; Luke 12:47.
- 30. Soul-Winning is the most exciting way to spend your life.
- 31. You set a <u>MULTIPLICATION CHAIN</u> going that may have <u>millions</u> of people in it. 2 Timothy 2:2
- 32. JESUS is COMING SOON!!
- 33. Soul-Winning increases your love for people and for God.
- 34. Example of Christians in the past e.g. martyrs. Revelation 17:6.
- 35. It is the BEST WAY to MAKE FRIENDS.
- 36. It makes you <u>HAPPY</u> and brings <u>UNITY</u> in your church.
- 37. You may win a great person to Christ.
- 38. Today, with <u>modern technology</u> such as international air transport, a missionary can fly to the mission field overseas in 24 hours. He can link up with national workers in third world countries to train them, and provide them with tracts, Bibles, books and medical clinics to win thousands of spiritually hungry people to Christ. He can be vaccinated against malaria and other tropical diseases that killed thousands of missionaries last century. We can print and distribute vast quantities of literature to win and train millions of people for Christ and Bible truth.
- 39. The <u>wealth that we have in the West can be used to multiply the gospel and to build</u> many churches in the Third World.
- 40. <u>Developing countries</u> are very open and hungry for the Gospel. We should take advantage of these open doors in Africa, India, China, Philippines, Eastern Europe, and South American countries to saturate these countries with literature, the gospel and true Bible doctrine.
- 41. Our life's goal should be great usefulness to God by doing Soul-Winning.
- 42. You may die tomorrow and have no more chances to do Soul-Winning.
- 43. You may be <u>surprised</u> by the <u>prosperity</u> that will come to you by Soul-Winning. Ecclesiasties 11:6.

Bad Consequences of Churches that Quit Soul-Winning.

I. Personal Consequences.

1. You are making a <u>conscious decision to deliberately disobey God</u>. (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15).

Those who don't do SW because they are ignorant, are less blameworthy than those who know how to do it and don't do it. Stopping SW is not ignorance, but a deliberate decision to disobey God.

2. When you deliberately disobey God by quitting SW, <u>your heart will become cold, hard,</u> <u>guilty and indifferent to the needs of others</u>. (Zechariah 7:8-<u>13</u>). God wanted Israel to show His love to the world, but Israel stopped their ears. So God stopped His ears to their cry when they fell under God's judgment.

3. You <u>Grieve the Holy Spirit</u>, by quitting SW. (Ephesians 4:30). We are not programmed to carry guilt. We have three choices when faced with guilt: a) Confess it to God, b) Transfer the guilt to others by blaming them, c) Close your ears to the Holy Spirit's voice and sear your conscience.

4. You lose the sense of God's presence in your life, you become unstable and double minded with one foot in the world and one foot in church.

II. Ministry Consequences.

5. <u>You are no longer a part of God's great program</u>: "repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations,.." (Luke 24:46). When we fall in line with God's program, we become a SW church. (Christ came to seek and to save that which was lost. Luke 19:10). Christ passed His program onto all churches today. The centre of a church is SW or it will be something else, such as music, drama, etc.. If you go SW, everything else comes together, such as Bible study, follow up, more young men training to be preachers, prayer, zeal, rebuking sin, hating worldliness and false religion, etc.

6. Those who quit SW become <u>critical</u> of soul winners, soul winning, running buses, standards, holy living, and accuse us of legalism. They quit soul winning, so they attack soul winners.

The mark of spirituality is: a) Not a big crowd. You can get a crowd by carnal methods, b) Not a lot of money, but c) Changed lives.

III. Community Consequences.

7. <u>No Lighthouse in the community</u>. People need to know that someone still believes the Bible and its standards of holiness. When you quit SW, there's no true prophet in your community.

8. Old Landmarks get removed. We must show the community how far they have removed from the Bible.

9. World missions will die as non-SW churches lose their vision.

10. <u>Our children won't know how to win the lost</u>, so they depart from SW and Bible standards.

We can't pass on to the next generation what we don't know.

Conclusion: Remember the consequences of turning back.

Question: In these verses, what must we do and what will we become?

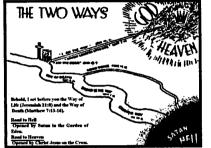
"But as many as <u>RECEIVED</u> him, to them gave he power to become the <u>SONS OF GOD</u>". John 1:12

"For whosoever shall <u>CALL</u> upon the name of the Lord SHALL BE SAVED."

Romans 10:13

"He that has the <u>SON</u> has <u>LIFE</u>, and he that has <u>NOT</u> the <u>SON OF GOD</u> has <u>NOT LIFE</u>... that ye may <u>KNOW</u> that ye have <u>ETERNAL LIFE</u>."

I John 5:12,13



Jesus said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, has <u>everlasting life</u>, and <u>shall not come</u> into <u>condemnation</u>, but is <u>passed</u> from <u>death</u> unto <u>life</u>." John 5:24

The choice is yours: **Claim** the gift of eternal life now, by receiving Jesus Christ as your **Saviour**, telling God something like this:

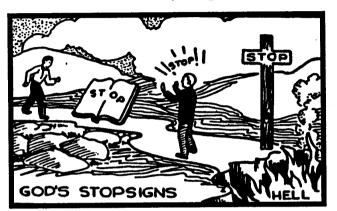
- Almighty God, I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. I'm sorry for this, and I want Jesus Christ to forgive all my sins.
- I now receive you, Lord Jesus Christ, as my Saviour and my God, and I now call on you, Lord Jesus, to
 - save me from my sins and the lake of fire
 - take me to heaven when I die, and
 - give me the gift of eternal life right now.
- I now open the door of my heart and life for you, Lord Jesus, to come in to be my Saviour, my Friend and my God, forever in Jesus' name. Amen

- Q1: Did you call on Jesus Christ to save you from your sins? Were you honest? Q2: In Romans 10:13 what does God say you now are?
- Q2: In Komans 10:13 what does C O3: What are you saved from?
- Q3: what are you saved from? O4: If you died now, where would you go? Why?
- Q5: Now that you are saved, do you think it is possible to lose eternal life? See John 10:28. What does "never perish" mean?
- Q6: How can you get to know God better? Study your Bible daily (I Peter 2:2); talk to God; attend a Bible teaching church (Hebrews 10: 24,25); tell others how Christ can save them; get baptized (Acts 10:47,48); tell someone you are saved (Romans 10:9) and live obediently for Christ.

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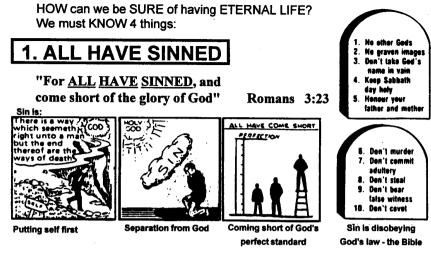
and think "Where will you spend eternity?"



THE <u>GIFT</u> OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE! HAVE <u>YOU</u> RECEIVED IT?

Jesus Christ said, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

"Seek ye the LORD while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man (forsake) his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and He will have mercy upon him; and (let him return) to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." Isaiah 55:6,7



• We are all GREAT SINNERS compared with the HOLINESS OF GOD.

- Q1: Do you want the God of the Bible to be your God?
- Q2: Do you want to finish with sin and come to God? (Repentance)

2. PUNISHMENT on SIN is DEATH

"For the wages of <u>sin</u> is <u>DEATH</u>; but the <u>GIFT OF GOD</u> is <u>ETERNAL LIFE</u> through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Romans 6:23

"And <u>DEATH</u> and <u>HELL</u> were cast into the <u>LAKE OF FIRE</u>. This is the <u>SECOND DEATH</u>. Rev. 20:14

Explanation: Because we have all sinned, God's Law says that we are all heading to death, and to the Lake of Fire. This is bad news. Neither you nor I want to go to the Lake of Fire.

Is there a way out? Yes!

God is offering us the <u>free</u> gift of <u>eternal life</u> which we get through Jesus Christ, not through good works or any religion.

"By grace are ye <u>saved</u> through <u>faith</u>; and that <u>not of your-</u> <u>selves</u>; it is the <u>gift</u> of God: <u>NOT OF WORKS</u> lest any man should boast."Ephesians 2:8,9

A gift is a free present, just take it or leave it.

Eternal life means to know God personally now, and to go to heaven when you die.

Therefore the <u>LAW</u> of God says we should go to the Lake of Fire, but the <u>LOVE</u> of god wants us to go to heaven. Notice how God has provided <u>free forgiveness</u> and <u>eternal life</u>:

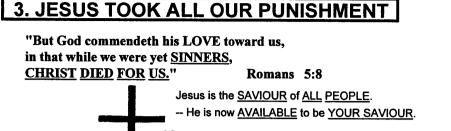
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Love of God Everybody's past, present and future sins.



Notice: God took all our past, present and future sins <u>OFF US</u>, and placed them <u>ON CHRIST</u>.

God Jesus took the <u>FULL PUNISHMENT</u> for <u>ALL</u> our sins on the cross,

instead of us being punished forever in the Lake of Fire.

Christ is now the SAVIOUR (sin-bearer) of ALL people.

The <u>DOOR</u> into heaven is now open for <u>ALL</u> to enter.

But HOW may we enter heaven?

Those who:

4. (a) BELIEVE that JESUS CHRIST

is GOD the SON
DIED IN OUR PLACE
ROSE AGAIN BODILY from the DEAD, then
(b) RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST as their SAVIOUR

are given FREE FORGIVENESS and ETERNAL LIFE right now. This means that you now accept Christ's Blood-sacrifice on the cross as the full payment for your sins, trusting Christ alone to save you, not your good works or any religion.



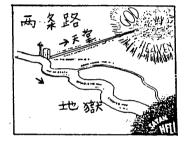


We can be SURE of this because of these promises God has given us to claim in the Bible.

全经中的应许:

- · "凡接待他的、就是信他名的人、他就赐他们权柄、 作神的儿子。" (约翰福音1:12)
- "因为凡求告主名的、就必得数。" (罗马书10:13)
- "人有了神的儿子就有生命。没有神的儿子就没有生命。我将这些话写给你们信奉神儿子之名的人,要叫你们知道自己有永生。"
 (约翰一书5:12-13)

·你选择了什么?



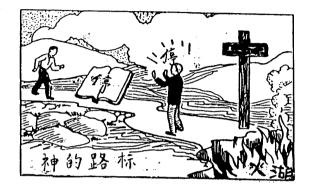
耶稣说:"我实实在在的告诉你们、 那听我话、又信差我来者的、就有永生、 不至于定罪、是已经出死入生了。"

(约翰福音5:24)

要接受基督为救主来領取永生的恩惠,

你只须告诉神:	
"全能的神,我过去曾背逆祢,在思想、言语及行为」	二犯罪,
深感愧疚,我需要耶稣基督赦免我一切的罪。	
现在我接受祢 -主耶稣基督作我的数主、我的神。	
现我求告主耶稣:*救我脱离罪恶及火湖之苦。	
*当我死后、带我进入天堂。	
*即時陽给我永生。	
此刻,我打开心门、让耶稣进来作我的救赎主,	
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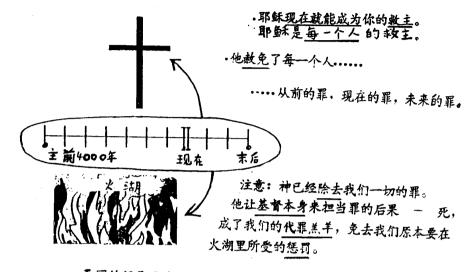


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你已拥有了吗?

第三、耶稣代替我们死

"唯有基督在我们还做罪人的时候为我们死、神的爱就在此向我 们显明了。" (罗马书5:8)



·天国的门是开着的,可是人要如何进去呢?

(一) 相信耶稣基督:	
·是神的儿子。	
・为我们(罪人)而死。	
•身体从死里复活。	
(二) 接受耶稣基督为个人救主。	
	·是神的儿子。 ·为我们(罪人)而死。 ·身体从死里复活。

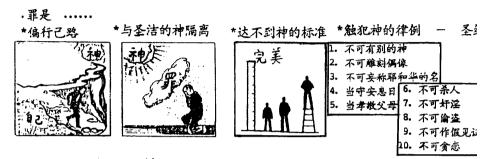
• 如果你作了这个决定,你的罪即时得了赦免,且有永生。



我能如此確定,因为我们能领取神在

如何确定自己有永生? 请听四件很重要的事。

第一、世人都犯了罪 "因为世人都犯了罪,亏缺了神的荣耀" (罗马书3:23)



• 与神的圣洁比较之下,我们都是大罪人 ,你要圣经中的神成为你的神吗?

·你(今天)可愿意解决这罪的问题以致能与神和好?

第二、罪的刑法 - 死

"因为罪的工价乃是死。 唯有神的恩赐、在我们的主基督耶稣 里、乃是永生。" (罗马书6:23) "死亡和阴间也被扔在火湖里。这火湖就是第二次的死" (启示录20:14)

•死是 •••••

- *当我们肉体死后,灵魂去阴间或天堂。
- -去阴间的,将被丢在火湖里 永死。 - 永生。
- -去天堂的,将会永远不死
- •你我都不愿意灵魂灭亡; 到底有没有解救的方法?



·圣经记载:"你们得敕是本乎恩、也因着<u>信、</u>这并不是出于自 己、乃是神所赐的。也不是出于行为、免得有人自夸。" (以弗所书2:8-9)

•我们发现, 原来靠着盖行, 不能得救。

•那要靠着什么呢?

TANONG: Sa mga talatang ito, ano ang dapat gawin at kung ano ang magiging resulta kapag ginawa natin ito?

"Datapwa't ang lahat ng sa kanya'y <u>NAGSITANGGAP</u>, ay pinagkalooban niya sila ng karapatang maging <u>ANAK NG DIOS</u>, sa makatuwid baga'y ang mga nagsisisampalataya sa kanyang pangalan. -<u>Juan 1:12</u>

"Sapagka't ang lahat ng <u>NAGSISITAWAG</u> sa pangalan ng Panginoon ay <u>MANGALILIGTAS</u>." -<u>Roma 10:13</u>

Ang kinaroroonan ng <u>ANAK</u> ay kinaroroonan ng <u>BUHAY;</u> ang <u>HIND1</u> kinaroroonan ng <u>ANAK NG DIOS</u> ay hindi kinaroroonan ng <u>BUHAY</u>. ...upang inyong <u>MAALAMAN</u> na kayo'y mayroong <u>BUHAY NA</u>

ANG PAGPILI AY NASA IYO:

WALANG HANGĞAN."



Sinabi ni Hesus:

"Katotohanan, katotohanan sinasabi ko sa inyo, Ang dumirinig ng aking salita, at sumasampalataya sa kaniya na nagsugo sa akin,

ay may <u>buhay na walang hanggan</u>, at <u>hindi mapapasok sa paghatol,</u> kundi <u>lumipat</u> na sa <u>kabuhayan</u> mula sa

kamatayan."

-Juan 5:24

-I Juan 5:12-13

TANGGAPIN mo ang KALOOB na buhay na walang hanggan sa pamamagitan ng pagtanggap kay Kristo Hesus bilang sariling TAGAPAGLIGTAS. Dasalin mo ang ganito:

Makapangyarihang Diyos, ako po ay nagkasala sa isip, salita at sa gawa. Patawarin po ninyo ako, Panginoon ko.

Tinatanggap kita Panginoong Hesus bilang aking Diyos at Tagapagligtas, a ngayon Panginoong Hesus nais ko pong:

- iligtas mo ako sa aking mga kasalanan at sa impiyerno.
- dalhin mo po ako sa langit na bayan sa aking pagpanaw.
- ipagkaloob mo po sa akin ang buhay na walang hanggan ngayon din.

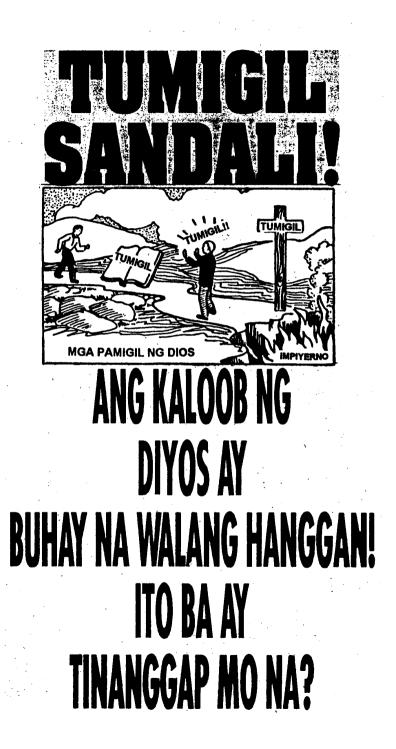
Binubuksan ko po ngayon ang aking puso at buhay sa iyo Panginoong Hesus. Tinatanggap kitang Tagapagligtas at Diyos ng aking buhay sa pangalan ni Hesus. Amen.

Lagda

Petsa

Juan 10:28 "At sila'y <u>binibgyan</u> ko ng walang hanggang buhay; at <u>kailan ma'y</u> <u>hindi sila malilipol..."</u>

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Paano tayo katitiyak na magkakaroon ng buhay na walang hanggan? Kinakailangang mapag-alaman natin ang apat (4) na bagay:

1. ANG LAHAT AY NANGAGKASALA Walang ibang Dios "ANG LAHAT AY NANGAGKASALA at hindi Walang sasambahing nakaaabot sa kaluwalhatian ng Dios." -Roma 3:23 mahai Huwag gamitin ang LAHAT AY HINDE MAKAABOT ngalan ng Dios ng KAGANAPAN ATLAND SA TA walang kabuluhan Panatilihing banal and araw Pangilin igalang ang iyong ama at ina Huwag papatay Huwag makikiapid . Huwag magnanakaw Kinapos sa sarili muna Pagkakahiwalay 9. Huwag magpaparatang pamantayan ng sa Divos . Huwag maghahangad Divos sa pag-aari ng iba

Lahat tayo ay ganap na makasalanan kung ihahambing sa kabanalan ng Diyos

Tanong Blg. 1: Nais mo bang ang Diyos sa Biblia ang iyong maging Diyos?

Tanong Blg. 2: Nais mo bang tapusin ang iyong relasyon sa kasalanan at magkaroon ng bagong relasyon sa Diyos? (Pagsisisi)

2.KABAYARAN NG KASALANAN AY KAMATAYAN

"Sapagka't ang kabayaran ng <u>KASALANAN</u> ay KAMATAYAN; datapwa't ang KALOOB NG DIYOS ay BUHAY na WALANG HANGGAN sa pamamagitan ni Hesu-Kristong ating Panginoon. <u>-Roma 6:23</u>

"At ang kamatayan at ang Hades ay ibinulid sa <u>DAGATDAGATANG APOY</u>. Ito ang ikalawang kamatayan, sa makatuwid ay ang dagatdagatang apoy." -Ang Pahayag 20:14

<u>Paliwanag;</u> Sapagka't ang <u>lahat ay nanoagkasala</u> nga, ang kautusan ng Diyos ay nagsasabi na tayong lahat ay patungo sa <u>kamatayan</u> at sa dagatdagatang apoy. Ito ay masamang balka. Kahit ikaw man o ako ay hindi nagnanais na dumako sa impiyerno.

Mayroon bang paraan upang ako'y huwag pumunta sa impiyerno? Opol

Ipinagkaloob ng Diyos sa atin ang <u>walang bayad</u> na regalo na buhay na <u>walang hanggan</u>

"Sapagka't sa biyaya kayo'y nangaligtas sa pamamagitan ng pananampalataya; at ito'y hindi sa inyong sarili, ito'y kaloob ng Diyos; hindi sa pamamagitan ng

mga gawa, upang ang sinuman ay huwag magmapurl."(Efeso 2:8.9) Ang <u>regalo</u> ay <u>walang bayad</u> na <u>kaloob</u>, tanggapin mo ito o iyong tanggihan. Ang <u>buhay</u>

<u>na walang hanggan</u> ay nangangahulugan na <u>personal mong kilalahin ang Divos</u> ngayon, al ikaw ay tutungo sa <u>jangit</u> kapag ikaw ay mamamatay.

Dahilan sa <u>kautusan</u> ng Diyos ay nagsasabi na tayo ay depat <u>pumunta</u> sa impiyemo subali'i ang <u>peg-ibin</u> ng Diyos ay nagnanais sa atin na tayo y pumunta ng lengit.

Pansinin kung paano ang Diyos ay nagkaloob ng <u>walang bayad na kapatawaran</u> o <u>buhay</u> na walang hanggan.

<u>-Ang Pa</u> ang kamatayan ay:



Hindi nabubura ang

nakaraanng dahil sa

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3.TINANGGAP NI HESUS ANG _AHAT NATING KAPARUSAHAN "Datapwa't ipinagtatagubilin ng Diyos ang kanyang pag-ibig sa atin, na nang tayo'y mga makasalanan pa, si CRISTO AY NAMATAY DAHIL SA ATIN -Roma 5:8 Si Hesus ang TAGAPAGLIGTAS ng LAHAT ng TAO. Siya ngayon ay NAKALAAN upang maging TAGAPAGLIGTAS MO. Mga nakaraan, kasalukuyan at 4000 B.C. Ngayon Wakas/ hinaharap ng mga kasalanan ng lahat ng tao DAGATDAGATANG TANDAAN: Inalis ng Diyos ang lahat ng ating nakalipas. kasalukuvan at hinaharap no mga kasalanan, at inilagay iyon kay Kristo Hesus. Tinanggap o inako ni Hesus ang Kumpletong kaparusahan ng ating mga kasalanan sa pamamagitan ng kamatayan sa krus ng Kalbaryo, sa halip na tayo ang maparusahan si Kristo ang tanging Tagapagligtas. Ang pinto ng langit ay bukas ngayon para sa lahat subali't paano tayo makapapasok sa langit? Sila lamang na: (a) MANAMPALATAYA NA SI KRISTO AY Divos Anak Namatay para sa atin nabuhay na mag-uli (b) TUMANGGAP KAY KRISTO BILANG KANYANG SARILING TAGAPAGLIGTAS Sila ay makatatanggap ng KAPATAWARAN at BUHAY NA WALANG

HANGGAN ngayon din. Ang ibig sabihin nito ay tanggapin mo ngayon ang dugong-handog ni Kristo bilang kabayaran ng iyong kasalanan, pagtiwalaang tanging si Kristo lamang



Tayo ay nakatitiyak dahilan sa kanyang mga pangako.

Tayo ay pinagkalooban ng Diyos mula sa Biblia ng mga bagay na maaari nating panghawakan.

23. CORRECT MENTAL ATTITUDES IN SOUL WINNING

Bible Reading: "Follow Me and I Will Make You Fishers Of Men." Matthew 4:19: Psalm 126.

- 1. Be a good listener. This tells you where people are at.
- 2. Ask questions that require them to think and to talk about themselves. Get them talking. Ask questions based on what they say. Ask "Why?"
- Do not fear what people will say. II Timothy 1:7. 3.
- Learn by experimenting with people as to how they react to what you say. 4.
- 5. Be happy and not over serious. Use humour appropriately.
- 6 **Pray** the following points before you go:
 - a) Cleanse me from sin
 - b) Fill me with your Holy Spirit
 - Satan to be bound C)
 - Give me words to say d)
 - e) Guide me to hungry hearted people.
- Diagnose people's spiritual condition to see if they are saved or lost. 7. Ask: If you died tonight are you 100% sure of going to heaven? Would you like to be sure?
- Persevere with people: 8.
 - a) To get the first soul winning appointment.
 - b) To get the first follow up appointment,
 - c) To get them to come to Church,
 - d) To keep them coming to Church,
 - e) Become their friend in their problems.
- a) If you can't lead them to Christ, ask others in the Church to try. Don't just forget 9 them.
 - b) **Introduce** them to other Christians in the Church to follow them up.
- 10. Give them literature after they are saved:
 - a) Bible
 - b) A "STOP" tract
 - c) The Answers book.
 - d) Follow up.
- 11. Make a time each week to: a) Follow them up in Bible study, and answer their questions.
 - b) To go soul winning, or talk to someone in an appointment.
- 12. Be filled with the Holy Spirit in the morning through prayer and Bible study. LISTEN TO GOD.
- 13. Ask younger and other Christians if they have someone that they want to see saved. If so, make an appointment to go and see them.

14. PRINCIPLE I: The more people you talk to, the more people will be saved, & the more vou learn

PRINCIPLE II: Ask for an appointment where & when you can sit down undisturbed for an hour

PRINCIPLE III: Try to lead husband and wife to Christ together.

PRINCIPLE IV: Recognise that one partner may grow faster than the other.

PRINCIPLE V: If one time slot is unsuitable, then choose another.

PRINCIPLE VI: It can be very hard to lead a group to Christ. Talk with those who are interested.

PRINCIPLE VII: Be friendly with everyone you meet. You may be able to talk to them later on.

PRINCIPLE VIII: Nothing ventured, nothing gained!!!!! The worst thing people can say is NO.

- 15. Excuses of Christians not wanting to witness to people are:
 - a) I may lose my friends.

Answer: God will give you better saved friends.

b) I do not know enough yet to say anything.

Answer: You learn by doing, so go out and try.

- c) I'll just be a good example and people will ask me how to be saved. Answer: NO! Many people are "good". God says to GO (Mark 16:15).
- d) I don't want to be pushy, or ram it down his throat.

Answer: You throw out the bait, see if he is interested, then take the conversation to the gospel or make an appointment.

- 16. Do not say irrelevant things. Only say things that will share the gospel or make an appointment.
- 17. Be a good **appointment getter** and a good appointment keeper.
- 18. Work well and co-operate with other Christians in the church, to win their friends & your friends.
- 19. Notice people who are spiritually hungry.
- With everything people say, think of ways to turn it to the gospel introduction. 20.
- 21. Think that some **relative** or friend, may be praying for a person to be saved that you meet.
- 22. WRONG ATTITUDE: I will not lead him to Christ in case he makes a false profession. Answer: Encourage him to receive Christ. If he is honest and understands the gospel, Christ will save him.
- 23. When they are saved, ask them who they know that they would like to see saved and going to heaven? Go and visit them.

24. WHAT DOES GOD GIVE US WHEN WE RECEIVE CHRIST AS OUR SAVIOUR?

- 1. We become **sons of God.** "But as many received Him to them He gave power to become the sons of God." John 1:12. This means....
- 2. We get **born again**. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." John 3:3. "Ye must be born again." John 3:7. We were born many years ago physically into our parent's family. When we receive Christ as our Saviour, we are adopted or born into God's family as His sons, with full rights to all the privileges of being in God's family (Romans 8:15).
- We are saved from the penalty of sin, which is hell, and the Lake of Fire. We are saved from the power of sin as we yield obediently to Christ's Word. We are saved from the presence of sin when we get to heaven. "For whosoever..." Romans 10:13
- 4. We get **eternal life**, living with God forever. "He that has the Son, has life." I John 5:12.
- 5. We are **reconciled** to God by the death of Christ. Romans 5:10. God has removed the barrier of sin, producing peace between God and us.
- "We are justified by faith in Jesus Christ as our Saviour." Romans 5:1.
 This means that we are declared righteous, pardoned and all our sins are removed.
 We are entitled to all of God's promised blessings. It is just as if we had never sinned.
- 7. We are 100% **acceptable** to God because of Jesus Christ. We do not need to perform perfectly in order to win God's acceptance. "He has made us acceptable in the beloved (Christ)." Eph. 1:6.
- 8. "We are **forgiven** all trespasses." Colossians 2:13. Forgiveness is the legal act of God where He removes all the charges held against a sinner because Christ has made proper payment for his sins.
- 9. We are **redeemed**. This means that we are bought by Christ out of the slave market of sin, set free from sin's bondage, we now belong to Christ, and we are Christ's servants to do God's will. We are not to live a life of selfish ease, but to be useful to God's purposes.

"...ye are not your own. For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." I Corinthians 6:19,20.

- 10. We are **indwelt** and **led** by the Holy Spirit. God's Spirit now lives in us permanently. We must not disobey His leading." If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His." Romans 8:9. "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." Romans 8:14.
- We will receive a new, young **resurrected body** that will never die. Romans 8:11.
 "His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth." Job 33:25.

"This mortal must put on immortality." I Corinthians 15:53.

12. We are **new creatures** with a **new Divine nature**.

"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature....all things are become new." II Corinthians 5:17.

- 13. God gives us many **exceeding great** and **precious promises** in the Bible for us to claim to guide and help us in life. By these we become partakers of the Divine nature. II Peter 1:4.
- 14. God has given us **all things** that pertain to **life** and **godliness**, through the **knowledge** of him that has called us to glory (in heaven) and virtue (now). II Peter 1:3.
- 15. Being justified by faith, we have **peace** with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 5:1. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." John 14:27. "Peace of God." Philippians 4:7.
- 16. We are **servants** of God. "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ." Romans 1:1. "....being made free from sin, and become servants to God." Romans 6:22.
- 17. We are **ambassadors** for Christ. II Corinthians 5:20. We are God's representatives on earth with God's message of salvation to mankind.
- 18. We are given many Christian **brothers** and **sisters** to **help** and **care** for **us**.

"A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another as I have loved you." John 13:43

- 19. We have a home and mansion in heaven. Il Corinthians 5:1,8."In my Father's house are many mansions.....I go to prepare a place for you." John 14:2.
- 20. We are now **friends** of God. "I have called you friends". John 15:15."Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." John 15:14.
- 21. We can lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven which we cannot lose. Matthew 7:20.

25. DOES A PERSON HAVE TO CALL ON CHRIST TO BE SAVED?

Bible Reading: Job 33:23-30.

<u>Aim</u>: To prove that we must not just believe in our mind the facts of the Gospel, but that a person must call on Christ to be saved.

Introduction:

One big difference between a Fundamental church and a liberal/apostate/Roman Catholic/Modernist church is on how a person appropriates salvation.

In a Fundamental church, a sinner is presented with the facts of the gospel and <u>challenged</u> to <u>call</u>/ receive/ask/pray/claim (as a lost sinner) on Jesus Christ to save him. In a liberal church, a sinner may be presented with some facts of the gospel, but he is <u>rarely</u> <u>challenged</u> to <u>call</u> on Christ to save him. It is rarely made clear to him that if he takes the gift of eternal life in Christ, then it will become his for certain, and for ever.

Story Illustration: Why Wilson was hanged.

In 1829 George Wilson, in Pennsylvania, was sentenced to be hanged by a United States Court for robbing the mails and for murder. President Andrew Jackson pardoned him, but this was refused, and Wilson insisted that it was not a pardon unless he accepted it. That was a point of law never before raised, and the President called the Supreme Court to decide.

Chief Justice John Marshall gave the following decision: "A pardon is a paper, the value of which depends upon its acceptance by the person implicated. It is hardly to be supposed that one under sentence of death would refuse to accept a pardon, but if it is refused, it is no pardon. George Wilson must be hanged!" And he was hanged.

Provisionally the gospel of Christ which is the power of God unto salvation is for every one irrespective of what he may be or what he may have done. Potentially, it is only to "every one that believeth." - Sunday School Times.

1. ERRORS REGARDING SALVATION

What are some wrong terms that people use in challenging people to appropriate salvation?

- 1. **Give your heart to Jesus**. This is wrong because this is spoken to a saved person, a son of God. "My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways." Proverbs 23:26.
- 2. **Invite Jesus into your heart**. This is wrong because it does not specify what you want Christ to do. What do you want Christ to do in your heart? Help you? Do good works? No! It must be to save you from sin by Christ's work on the cross.
- 3. **Commit your life to Christ**. This is wrong because it carries the thought of dedicating your life to obey Christ and hoping to get salvation in return for good works that you promise to do.
- 4. Believe in God or Christ. This is not clear, but is ambiguous. What must we believe about God or Christ? In their existence? No. Even if you believe that Christ paid for all your sins on the cross, this is not salvation because many people believe this to be true, but do not want salvation or do not want to give up their sins. One must want salvation and ask for it.
- 5. Accept Christ. This is not clear because: "What are we accepting Christ to do for us?" It must be to save us or to be our Saviour from sin.
- 6. Trust in God. To do what? Must be to save me from sin.
- 7. Have faith in God. To do what? Must be to save me from sin.

2. SCRIPTURES PROVING THAT WE MUST CALL ON CHRIST TO BE SAVED

Let us challenge people to call on Christ to save them, as these scriptures command us to:

1. Romans 10:13 "For whosoever shall <u>call</u> upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." "To call on the Lord means to pray in faith for salvation." "Bible Knowledge Commentary", Walvoord and Zuck P.481. Joel 2:32 and Acts 2:21 contain the same verse.

2. Jeremiah 29:12,13 "Then shall ye <u>call</u> upon me, and ye shall go and <u>pray</u> unto me, and I will **hearken** unto you. And ye shall **seek** me, and **find** me, when ye shall **search** for me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the Lord." v.14.

3. Isaiah 55:6,7 "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, <u>call</u> ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy on him; and to our God for he will abundantly pardon."

The wicked are commanded to seek and call upon the Lord for salvation. The gospel invitation defined involves four things:

- i) Seeking (desiring, inquiring after) the Lord while He may be found. v.6.
- ii) Calling upon Him while He is near.
- iii) Repentance the wicked being willing to forsake (or abandon) his evil way of life, and the unrighteous man forsaking his wrong thoughts.
- iv) Faith returning to the Lord, receiving God's salvation, mercies and pardon.
- 4. Jonah 3:4-10 The greatest revival ever, took place when Jonah preached to the Ninevites and they were all saved. We see the following steps in their salvation:
 - i) The people of Nineveh **believed** God. v.5.
 - ii) Cry mightily unto God. v.8.
 - iii) Let them turn every one from his evil way. v.8.

Result: God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not.

- 5. Jeremiah 10:25 Unbelievers are described as those that "call not on thy name". Therefore, believers are those who "call on God's name". "Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the families that **call not on thy name**".
- 6. Zechariah 13:9 Another great revival is when the nation of Israel is saved at Christ's second coming. Notice how they get saved; by CALLING on the name of the Lord: "I will bring the third part through the fire, ... they shall CALL on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, the Lord is my God." Lesson: When we call on the name of the Lord to save us, He hears us, and we are then saved; just as Israel will be.
- 7. Job 33:23-30 shows several things that are necessary for a person to be saved:
 - i) An interpreter or gospel preacher. v.23.
 - ii) A ransom, or One who has paid for our sins, Jesus Christ. v.24.
 - iii) He shall pray unto God ... v.26.
 - iv) If any **say**, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not. v.27.

Results:

- a) He will be delivered from going to the pit. v.24,28,30.
- b) His flesh shall be fresher than a child's; he shall return to the days of his youth. (Resurrection body). v.25.
- c) He will see God's face with joy. v.26.
- d) He will render unto man God's righteousness. v.26
- e) His life shall see the light. v.28.

8. John 4:10,15,26 Jesus tells the woman at the well, that there are three steps to salvation in v.10, these being: "If thou knewest:

a) the **gift** of God

b) who it is that saith to thee, "Give me to drink."

c) Thou would have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water."

Condition c) In v.15 she **asks** Christ for living water: "Sir, **give me** this water.

Condition b) In v.25,26 she **knows**/believes **who** is speaking to her: "Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he (Messiah)."

She is then saved because she understands <u>who</u> Christ is, and she has <u>asked</u> for Christ to "give me this water."

 "And in all things, whatsoever ye shall <u>ask</u> in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt.21:22.

This states that believing is tied in closely with "asking in prayer."

If you believe God can do something for you, you ask Him for it in prayer.

If you believe Christ can save your soul, you will ask Him in prayer to save your soul. Ye have not because ye ask not." James 4:2

Question: Why are people not saved?

Answer: Because they ask not.

This means that if you ask Christ for salvation, believing, you'll get salvation. A person must acknowledge to God their need of salvation. This is asking God to save them.

"Therefore I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye **pray, believe** that ye receive them, and ye **shall** have them." Mark 11:24.

This expresses dependence upon the Lord, as we pray to God, humbly requesting as an inferior from a superior. Here, belief and prayer are linked.

10. Notice these clear New Testament examples of people who were saved by calling on Christ to save them:

i) Bartimaeus Mark 10:46-52

Step 1: "He began to CRY OUT, and say, Jesus thou Son of David, have mercy on me." v.47. He called out for Christ to save him.

Step 2: "He, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus." v.50 He responds to Jesus' command for him to be called. Jesus calls him. Casting away his garment pictures the sinner wanting to cast away his sin in repentance. **Step 3**: He says "Lord, that I might receive my sight."

The sinner must ask Jesus to save him, in reply to Jesus' question.

"What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?" Jesus asks this question to every sinner. To be saved we must answer "I want to be saved."

Step 4: Bartimaeus is saved from sin by faith and also receives his sight. Jesus said "Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole." v.52. Bartimaeus' faith involved:

1. Crying out

- 2. Casting away his garment (repentance)
- 3. Acknowledging Jesus to be Lord God (Deity)

4. Telling Jesus exactly what he wanted (calling on Christ to save him).

Step 5: "Immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way. v.52. After we receive the blessing of salvation, we must follow Jesus also.

ii) The Publican Luke 18:9-14

Theme: Salvation is not obtained by trusting in our own righteousness.

Step 1: "Two men went up to the Temple to pray; a Pharisee and a Publican." v.10.

Salvation is not in going to church.

Salvation is not in a wrong kind of prayer in trusting our good works.

Step 2: The Publican said "God be merciful to me a sinner." v.13.

He called upon the name of the Lord in his distress at his sin to save him. We must see our sins as distressing to us and hurtful to God. His sins distressed him as seen by his four statements:

a) He stood afar off.

- b) He would not so much as lift up his eyes to heaven.
- c) He smote upon his breast, realising the sinfulness of his heart.
- d) He **called** upon the name of the Lord to save him, **saying**: "God be merciful to me a sinner." v.13.

Calling upon the name of the Lord to save us is a heartfelt response at distress of our sin: "In my distress I called upon the Lord,... he heard my voice." Psalm 18:6.

Psalm 118:5 "I called upon the Lord in distress: the Lord answered me.."

Step 3: "This man (the Publican) went down to his house justified rather than the other (Pharisee):.. for he that humbles himself shall be exalted." v.14.

If we are **distressed at our sin, not trusting our good works**, but <u>call</u> upon the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to save us, we are justified ie. made right in God's eyes. This is true salvation.

iii) Zacchaeus. Luke 19:1-10

Step 1: "He **sought** to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press." v.3 To be saved we must seek to see Jesus, seek to know who Jesus is - God and Saviour (John 6:36, 40). seek to overcome obstacles to get to Jesus eg. Zacchaeus' shortness.

Step 2: After climbing a tree to get a closer look at Jesus, Jesus responded to him by saying: "Zacchaeus, make haste, and **come down**; for today I must abide at thy house." v.5 To be saved we must - come down from our high position, humbling ourselves.

- accept Jesus' offer inviting Jesus to come to stay at our house/life.

Step 3: "He made haste, and came down, and received Him joyfully." v.6

To be saved we must make haste, immediately respond to Jesus Christ's offer of salvation.

- come down, humbling ourselves from whatever high position we think we hold in life.

- receive Christ as our Saviour from sin joyfully into our life to take up residence with us.

Step 4: "Zacchaeus stood and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold." v.8

Zacchaeus was so distressed by his sin, and so much wanting Christ to be his Saviour that he wanted to be completely right with God and man. He offered to make restoration to anyone he had wronged. This showed the sincerity of his repentance.

Step 5: "Jesus said unto him, this day is salvation come to this house, forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham." v.9

Note: - Salvation comes in a day, not over many years of good works.

- Salvation comes when we **seek Christ**, **come down** from our high position **receive Christ joyfully** as our Saviour.

- Salvation's result is to want to do the right thing by God and man.

iv) A Dying Thief. Luke 23:39-43

Step 1: He rebuked the unrepentant thief's wrong selfish attitude to Christ. To be saved we must be willing to **take a stand** for Jesus Christ, even if it means going against the crowd.

Step 2: He said: "Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds." v.40,41. To be saved we must

- fear God
- be aware of our own sinfulness
- be aware that we are worthy of God's judgement.

Step 3: "But this man hath done nothing amiss." v.41 To be saved we must

- recognise Jesus Christ's sinlessness.

Step 4: "He said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." v.42 $\,$

To be saved we must

- recognise that **Jesus is God**, the "Lord".
- call on Jesus to save us: "Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom."
- recognise that Jesus is our only Mediator to get us to heaven, not Mary, not saints, not Buddha, not any other religious figure, not good works, only Jesus Christ can save us. I Tim 2:5

Notice: He also believed that Jesus was the King of the Jews, and that Jesus would come to earth again as King of the earth.

Step 5: Jesus assures him of **his salvation**: "Today, shalt thou be with me in paradise." v.43.

When we call on Jesus to save us, He saves us and keeps us saved, so that whenever we die we are promised to be with Jesus in paradise. For believers this means that on death, we go instantly to heaven to be in God's presence. **Question**: Are you really saved? If not, then call on Christ to save you today as these four men did 2,000 years ago.

- 11. Notice six very clear steps in the process of salvation in Romans 10:12-15.
 - 1. A person is SENT
 - 2. That person PREACHES the Gospel
 - 3. PeopleHEAR the Gospel
 - 4. People BELIEVE the facts of the Gospel (Believe in Him)
 - 5. People CALL on the name of the Lord to save them
 - 6. People are then SAVED.

Notice in v.12 "the same Lord over all is rich unto all that CALL upon him."

Note: We only experience the riches of Christ's salvation when we call on him to save us. 12. **Objection**: But isn't believing in Christ just enough?

Answer:

- a) If we believe in Christ, we will call on Christ to save us, or at the very least acknowledge to Christ our desire, or our need for Christ to save us from our sin.
- b) Romans 10:10 links "BELIEF" and "CALLING".

Belief comes first, then is followed simultaneously/immediately by calling: "with the heart man **believeth** unto **righteousness**; and with the mouth **confession** is made unto **salvation**." Rom. 10:10

We learn here that:

- A confession of Christ is as indispensable to salvation as believing. Jesus affirms this in Matthew 10:32, Luke 12: 8,9.
- There can be no true salvation where we are not willing to confess the Lord Jesus. "No man can **say** that Jesus is the Lord but by the Holy Ghost." 1 Corinthians 12:3
- c) Romans 10:9 links "**confessing** with your mouth the Lord Jesus" with "**believing** in your heart that God has raised him from the dead."

"Confess" here means: to express our agreement with what God holds to be true. It is a public open declaration as seen by "with thy mouth", regarding our sin, our lost estate, our need of the Saviour.

We confess that Jesus is our Lord, that He has a right to rule over our soul eg. Paul in Acts 9:6 "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

"Believe in your heart" means that the external confession corresponds with the internal feelings.

- d) "Whosoever **believeth** on him shall **not be ashamed**." Romans 10:11. If we have true belief in Christ as Saviour, we will not be ashamed to declare it.
- e) Acts 26:27 "King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? <u>I know that thou believest</u>. Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." We learn that: Agrippa believed that Jesus was the fulfillment of the prophets' message. Believing the facts is not enough to save a person. One must receive Jesus Christ as our Saviour.
- 13. Other scriptures teaching that we must call on Christ to be saved:
 - i) "I will **call** upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be **saved** from my enemies (eg. satan, sin, hell)" Psalm 18:3.
 - ii) "Save Lord: let the king hear us when we call." Psalm 20:9.
 - iii) "Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." Psalm 50:15. The Lord's method of delivering (saving) us from trouble is for us to call on Him to save us. So it is that by calling on the Lord, He will save us from hell.
 - iv) "As for me, I will call upon God; and the Lord shall save me." Psalm 55:16.
 - v) "Quicken us, and we will **call** upon thy name. Turn us again O Lord God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be **saved**." Psalm 80:18, 19.
 - vi) "For thou, Lord, art good, and **ready to forgive**; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that **call** upon thee." v.5

"In the day of trouble I will **call** upon thee: for thou wilt **answer** me." v.7. Psalm 86:5,7.

- vii) "He shall **call** upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble, I will **deliver him** and honour him." Psalm 91:15.
- viii) "Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that **call** upon his name; they **called** upon the Lord, and **he answered them**." Psalm 99:6.
- ix) "in the day when I call answer me speedily." Psalm 102:2.
- x) "O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name." Psalm 105:1.
- xi) "I will take the **cup of salvation**, and **call** upon the name of the Lord" Psalm 116:13.
- xii) "The Lord is **near** unto **all** them that **call upon him**, to all that call upon him in truth.. he also will **hear** their **cry**, and will **save** them." Psalm 145:18,19.
- xiii) "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of **salvation**. And **in that day** shall ye say, Praise the Lord, **call** upon his name..." Isaiah 12:3,4.
- xiv) "Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer." Isaiah 58:9.
- xv) "Before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking I will hear." Isaiah 65:24.
- xvi) "Call unto me, and I will answer thee" Jeremiah 33:3.
- xvii) "Here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that **call** on thy name. Acts 9:14.
 - All who are saved are described as those who "call on thy name."
- xviii) "With **all** that in every place **call** upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Corinthians 1:2.

xix) "Follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that **call on the Lord** out of a pure heart." 2 Timothy 2:22

Believers are described again as people who "call on the Lord." We are saved by calling on the Lord, and we continue in total dependence upon God to call on the Lord for all our needs.

xx) In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my God: he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears. 2 Samuel 22:7.

If we are truly convicted of our sins, and of our need of Jesus Christ to be our Saviour, then we will call on Christ to save us. Being **distressed** by our sins, our normal response is to immediately call on Christ to save us.

In John 6:28-34, Jesus tells us that to work the works of God, we must **believe on Christ**. The people's response is to say "Lord, evermore **give us** this bread" v.34, that is to say "we want it, we now ask for it, we now receive it."

Jesus replies: "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." v.37

"everyone which $seeth^{2334}$ the Son, and $believeth^{4100}$ on him, may have everlasting life:"v40 $seeth^{2334}$ in Greek means to look at, to comprehend, recognise, acknowledge.

Therefore we must see (recognise who Christ is) and believe on him (receive, call, ask, come, take, confess Christ as Saviour) to be saved.

3. DEFINITIONS ASSOCIATED WITH SALVATION.

- 1. **REPENT**: to change the mind, to regret. Acts 2:38.
- 2. CONVERT: (1378 in Strong's Concordance) = to turn.

= to turn from self and sin and receive Christ as Saviour. "Except ye be converted and become as little children ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 18:3. "Repent and turn to God (convert) and do works meet for repentance." Acts 26:20.

3. BELIEVE: (pisteuo in Greek), have faith, to trust

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Acts 16:31.

Question: What does "believe" mean for salvation?

Answer: Believe is a SUMMARY word.

It summarises a number of things that we must believe in order to be saved. If one is missing, a person is not saved.

a) Belief has FACTS to rest upon

Believe is a summary statement that assumes an understanding of other scriptures pertinent to salvation.

"Believe" implies that the person believes, or is firmly persuaded that:

- 1. He is a sinner.
- 2. He is heading to hell.
- 3. His good works can't save him.
- 4. Christ died as his Substitute/Saviour/Sin bearer on the cross to be punished for his sin in the sinners place.
- 5. He is willing to turn from sin, and turn to God.
- 6. Jesus Christ is 100% God and 100% man.
- 7. Christ rose bodily from the dead.
- 8. We must receive, call, ask, come, take or confess Christ as Saviour.
- b) Belief involves deciding either for or against Jesus Christ and his offer of salvation: "But the gift of God is eternal life.." Romans 6:23.
- c) Believe can be used with different prepositions.
 - i) Believe in ("en" in Greek) in John 3:16 means "to confide in someone."

- Believe on ("epi" in Greek) in Acts 16:31 means "laying hold on the object of faith." Therefore, one needs to "confide in Christ" or "lay hold on Christ" or "call on Christ to save", in order to have salvation.
- d) Believe in the New Testament uses other words interchangeably:
 - i) **Receive**: "But as many as **received him**, to them gave he power to become the **sons of God**, even to them that **believe** on his name". John 1:12.
 - ii) **Call upon**: "For whosoever shall **call** upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Rom.10:13; Acts 2:21.
 - iii) Ask: "thou would have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." John 4:10.

iv) **Come**: "Him that **cometh** to me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. "let him that is athirst **come**. Revelation 22:17.

- v) Take: "whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Revelation 22:17.
- vi) **Confess**: "If thou shalt **confess** with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt **believe** in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9.

"For with the heart man **believeth** unto righteousness; and with the mouth **confession** is made unto salvation." Romans 10:10.

Charles Ryrie in "So Great Salvation" well says:

<u>Key</u>: "The person who **receives**, or **calls upon**, or **asks**, or **comes**, or **takes**, or **confesses**, this person **believes**."

Question: Isn't it just enough to tell people to believe in or on Christ?

Answer: No, because, most people think that "believe" means "mental assent to the facts of the Gospel" or "just believing that God or Christ exists." This is not Bible belief for salvation. They must understand the Bible facts of the Gospel before they can believe.

The Old Testament, not the New Testament, uses the word "**look**" in the context of being saved in Isaiah 45:22, "**Look** unto me, and be ye **saved**, all the ends of the earth."

This reminds us of saving belief (John 3:14,15), and of the snake bitten Jews in the wilderness looking at the brass serpent on a pole (Numbers 21:5-9) to be healed of snake bite. This is a picture of the new birth. This is still an individual communicating his desire to Christ to be saved. It is a non-verbal call in the mind to God for salvation.

4. BAD EFFECTS OF THIS DOCTRINE OF NOT CALLING.

- 1. It eliminates human responsibility, and emphasises exclusively divine sovereignty.
- 2. Christians therefore never tell a sinner to call on Christ to save them and people rarely ever get saved (using this approach), and Christians stop being soul winners.
- 3. Christians never start discipling people, because they never lead anyone to Christ.
- It sets up division between Christians. Some people believe the following false or misleading statements:
 - a) "A person does not need to pray in order to be saved."

Answer: This is false. A person must **communicate to God** his desire for Christ to save him, be it verbally or mentally. Surely this is prayer. See the four men saved in section 2.

b) "Salvation in Christ is received through faith alone & is not dependent on **any action of man**."

Answer: This statement is false. Believe, faith, trust are all summary words that summarise the eight concepts of salvation discussed previously. If a person believes these eight things, he is saved, he believes, he has faith in Christ, and he trusts Christ for salvation. Notice that salvation is appropriated when a person

believes the eight things and responds in one of these six ways by either receiving, calling on, asking, coming, taking, or confessing Christ as Saviour. Surely this is an action of man, by which he appropriates salvation. However, none of these are good works, which the Bible clearly says cannot save us. Eph. 2:8,9. An action is not a work.

5. OLD TESTAMENT PICTURES OF SALVATION

These show that people were not saved by just believing the facts of the Gospel." They had to appropriate God's way of escape by taking the action God commanded them to. For example:

1. God offered animal skins to Adam and Eve

When they accepted these, it showed that they were accepting the blood sacrifice of an innocent animal dying in their place. This pictured Christ's perfect future sacrifice that they were trusting in.

- 2. Abel offered a blood sacrifice to God which was accepted Cain's vegetable bloodless sacrifice was rejected.
- 3. **Noah's Ark** is a picture of **Christ saving** and keeping us saved. Noah and his family had to enter the Ark to be saved. Those who refused to enter the Ark were drowned.
- 4. **Israelites in Egypt** on the **Passover night** had to kill a spotless lamb and apply its blood on the doorposts and lintel of their house, or their firstborn would have died. Just believing that a lamb's blood applied would save them was not enough. They had to apply the blood. So must we by calling on Christ to save us.
- 5. **Snake bitten Israelites in the wilderness** had to move outside their tents to look at the brass serpent on a pole. Then they were healed upon looking. John 3:14. It wasn't enough to believe that looking would heal. They had to act by looking. So we are saved by calling on Christ to save us.
- 6. **Naaman the Syrian leper** was told to dip seven times in the Jordan river to be healed of leprosy. Only when he believed it and dipped himself did he get cured of leprosy.

All these people had to believe, then appropriate in order to be saved. If we believe in Christ, we will appropriate Christ by calling on Him to save us, or receive Christ as our Saviour etc.

Question: Have you received Jesus Christ as your Saviour?

Question: Are you sharing the Gospel daily and challenging people to receive Christ as their Saviour?

26. A CHRISTIAN SHOULD (among others)

- 1. Walk in the Lord. Colossians 2:6
- 2. Meditate upon the Word of God. Psalm 119:97; 1 Timothy 4:15
- 3. Wait upon the Lord. Isaiah 40:31
- 4. **Seek** the Lord for guidance. Proverbs 3:5,6
- 5. Always seek God's will and fulfil it. Romans 12:2
- 6. **Be not fearful**. 1 Timothy 1:7; Ephesians 6:10
- 7. Be vigilant and sober. 1 Peter 5:8
- 8. Resist the devil. James 4:7
- 9. Be faithful in **serving** God. Keep the faith. I Timothy 4:7
- 10. Be a faithful **steward**. 1 Corinthians 4:2
- 11. Maintain good works. Titus 3:8; Matthew 5:16
- 12. **Glorify** the Lord in everything. 1 Corinthians 6:20
- 13. Be an **example** of the believers. 1 Timothy 4:12
- 14. **Avoid disputes**. Philippians 2:14; 2 Timothy 2:23; Titus 3:9; 1 Timothy 6:5
- 15. Abstain from all **appearance of evil**. 1 Thessalonians 5:22
- 16. Refrain from closeness with the **opposite sex**. 2 Timothy 2:22; Proverbs 7:5
- 17. Be **filled with the Spirit**. Ephesians 5:18
- 18. Be filled with the **love** of Christ. Romans 5:5
- 19. Love Christ as the First Love. Revelation 2:4; Luke 14:26
- 20. Live for Christ daily. Philippians 1:21
- 21. Be kind to others. Romans 12:10; Colossians 3:12
- 22. **Forgiving** others, even enemies. Matthew 5:44
- 23. **Confess** all sins and be cleansed. 1 John 1:9
- 24. Maintain a good family. 1 Timothy 3:3,4; 5:8
- 25. Love Christ's **appearing**. 2 Timothy 4:8
- 26. **Be not slothful** in business. Romans 12:11

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27. TESTS OF A PERSON'S SALVATION

Aim: To discern whether to counsel a person to be saved or to believe that he is already saved.

Problem: With many people we meet it is very hard to tell if they are saved. Jesus predicted this in His parable of the wheat and the tares. Matthew 13:24-30,36-43. You can discern by their fruits whether or not they are saved. Matthew 7:15-20. What are some ways of testing to see if a person is really saved?

1. LOVE THE BRETHREN (A desire for Church)

"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." 1 John 4:7; 1 John 2:9-11; 1 John 3:14-19.

2. DISLIKE FOR SIN

This results in a true believer overcoming the world by faith in Christ. 'For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world:&this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.'1John 5:4

3. LISTENING TO TEACHING and ADVICE OF GODLY CHRISTIANS

"We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error." 1 John 4:6.

If a person is rebellious to Christians over an important issue and refuses to hear (or heed) them, then we are to count him as a heathen. Matthew 18:15-17.

4. CONFESS THAT JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD TO OTHERS with your mouth 'Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.' I John 4:2,3,15.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9.

5. KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS

"And he that keepeth His commandments dwelleth in him, and He in him." 1 John 3:24a; 2:3-6.

6. POSSESSING THE HOLY SPIRIT

"And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us." I John 3:24; 4:13

7. JESUS CHRIST IS PRECIOUS TO YOU

"Unto you therefore which believe he is precious." 1 Peter 2:7a. Is Jesus Christ precious to you? If He is, you can't take His name in vain.

- 8. GOOD WORKS characterise our life after salvation. James 2:14-26.
- 9. GOD DISCIPLINES A TRUE BELIEVER WHEN HE SINS. Hebrews 12:5-11.
- 10. IF YOU HAVE CHRIST (the SON) YOU HAVE LIFE. 1 John 5:11-13.

CONCLUSION

Just because a person professes to be a Christian, it doesn't mean that he is really saved. Matthew 7:21-23 Wait for the fruits before you believe that he is saved. Otherwise, we may be in danger of assuming they are saved when they are really lost and going to hell.

28. ANSWERS TO COMMON OBJECTIONS MET IN SOUL WINNING

Bible Reading: I Peter 3:15

<u>Aim</u>: To give Christians answers to objections met in soul winning so we can win more souls to Christ.

Introduction: Many people with whom we share the gospel have genuine questions they want answered which hinder them receiving Christ. By providing clear, simple answers to these questions, many more people may get saved. Notice three things about these people:

- 1) Don't spend all your time answering objections or arguing.
- Briefly answer objections. Bring the conversation back to the gospel immediately. Satan may put questions in their minds, to sidetrack you from preaching the gospel. Don't fall into this trap.
- 3) Check if they are sincere and open to the truth. Answers to common objections are:

1. What about those who <u>have never heard the gospel</u>, such as people in Africa? Doesn't this mean God is unjust in sending people to hell if they have never Heard?

a) In Titus 2:11 God says that <u>they have heard enough about God</u> that if they follow it up they will get saved through Christ. 'The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.'

Question: How much do you know about ancient heathen individuals secret thought life? (Nothing)

- b) In Romans 1:18-21 God says that He has shown them His eternal power and Godhead through creation, so they are without excuse.
- c) In Revelation 5:9 people from 'every kindred, tongue, people and nation' that ever existed will be in heaven, singing that 'Christ was slain and has redeemed us to God by thy blood.'
- d) In Acts 17:27, God says of pagans that 'they should seek after the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and FIND HIM, though he be not far from everyone of us.' This means that if pagans seek God, they will find Him. Helen Keller was born blind, deaf,&dumb. When she got saved, she said that she always knew God was there, but didn't know His Name.
- e) Jeremiah 29:13 says that if people seek God with all their heart, they will find Him. 'Ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.'

2. Is Christ the only way to God? What about other religions?

- a) John 14:6 Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth & the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me'
- b) Acts 4:12 'Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is **none other name** under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.'
- c) I Timothy 2:5 'For there is one God,&one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus'

Question: Why is Jesus Christ the only way to God?

- a) He lived a sinless life. (John 8:46).
- b) He was God, and had the credentials to prove it. (John 8:24; 5:18,23).
- c) He solves the sin problem, by paying for our sin on the cross. (Isaiah 53:6).

- d) He rose from the dead. (Luke 24:39-43).
- e) The Old Testament prophets predicted details of His life. (Isaiah 9:6; Micah 5:2; Psalm 22;16).
- f) Jesus predicted the future correctly (Matthew 24:1-34).

Only Jesus Christ deals with the sin problem by paying the penalty for our sins on the cross, which God's law required. No other religion solves the sin problem; they only tell us to do good works and hope for the best, without any certainty of eternal life. Christ promises us eternal life if we receive Him as our Saviour. Who else has Christ's credentials?

3. Won't a good life get me to heaven? I'm a good person.

You may be good compared to men, but not compared to God. Scripture states good works don't save.

- a) Isaiah 64:6 'all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags.'
- b) Ephesians 2:8,9,10 'By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast.'
- c) Titus 3:5 'Not by works of righteousness which we have done'. Salvation is **gift**. (Romans 6:23; John 4:10; II Corinthians 9:15).

Question: If salvation is by good works, how good do you have to be?

<u>Question</u>: If salvation is by good works, then why did Christ have to die on the cross? Who saves man?

4. Isn't the Bible full of errors?

Name one! 'The words of the Lord are pure words . . . thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever'. (Psalm 12:6,7).

Question: Whom did Cain marry? <u>Answer:</u> His sister: 'he begat sons and daughters.' Genesis 5:4.

The right attitude about apparent contradictions is to shelve what you don't know until you learn more.

We know the Bible is the faultless Word of God, because:

Jesus Christ said it was God's Word, proven by

Jesus Christ rising from the dead; and Jesus Christ accurately predicted the future.

5. Why does God allow suffering? Why do the innocent suffer if God is loving?

'Wherefore, as by one man (*Adam*) sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.' (Romans 5:12).

- a) When man rebelled against God and sided with Satan, he brought the consequences on himself. The nature of sin is that it spreads and affects others.
- b) God allows:

i) The <u>lost</u> to suffer – to make them aware of the shortness of time and lengthiness of eternity;

as well as to shake complacent Christ-rejecting sinners out of their proud self dependence, causing them to look to God and hence be saved. It is better to suffer a while on earth and be saved, than to be well off on earth and suffer in hell for ever. ii) Believers to suffer as discipline **or** to make us more like Christ. (Romans 8:28,29).

c) The correct attitude to suffering is that because we don't know all the facts, we should not judge God, since our knowledge is so small. Job suffered, not knowing all the facts,

but he honoured God in his trials. God blessed him later with twice as much after his suffering was over.

- d) God has prepared to stop suffering later in heaven.
- e) God can turn suffering into great blessing for many. 'For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.' Jeremiah 29:11

6. What about all the hypocrites in the church?

- a) You are responsible to God for yourself, so don't judge others. 'So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God'. (Romans 14:12).
- b) Don't compare yourself with others, or with the worst, but with Christ. We are all sinners.

'For we dare not . . . compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they . . . comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.' (2 Corinthians 10:12).

- c) Some of the hypocrites in the church are proud and trust their good works for salvation, while despising others, like the Pharisees whom Christ condemned.
- d) Churches are made of people who know they are sinners and who know they need God.

e) If you have a standard and don't keep it, then you are a hypocrite as well. You aren't perfect.

Fix your own sins first before you condemn others. (Matthew 7:3,4,5).

7. What about Science opposing and disproving the Bible, eg: Evolution.

- a) True science which is based on observable facts, supports the Bible. Evolution is not observable.
- b) 'Avoid . . . oppositions of science falsely so called.' (I Timothy 6:20).
- c) Science is learning&changing as man thinks up new theories. The Bible is God's revelation to man.
- d) The history of science is full of discarded theories. The Bible has not needed to be revised, but contains many scientific facts unknown when written, but proven true later by modern science.

The Bible has a better record of being proven right than has science.

- e) Evolution is wrong because:
 - i) mutations never produce a new species of animal life;
 - ii) uniformitarianism is proven wrong by Noah's Flood;
 - iii) Transitional fossils between species are non-existent;

iv) Dating methods of rocks are in error, disagreeing with one another v)How does evolution explain how sex &reproductive systems evolved?

8. How can miracles be possible?

- a) Ask: 'If God exists, would miracles be too hard for Him?'
- b) 'For with God nothing shall be impossible.' (Luke 1:37).

9. Some people think that God does not exist.

a) 'In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.' (Genesis 1:1). Creation's intelligent complex life forms prove there is a Creator God.

- b) God's existence is 'clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made . . . so that they are without excuse.' (Romans 1:19,20).
- c) 'The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God.' (Psalm 14:1). <u>Atheism is an excuse to hide behind sin</u>. The atheist thinks, 'If there is no God, then there is no judgment, then I can sin (do what I want) and get away with it.'
- d) Atheism claims to know everything, even all that does not exist. Questions to ask Atheists:

i) <u>What percent of the total knowledge of the universe do you possess</u>? (nil or small).
 ii) Is it possible for God to exist outside your sphere of knowledge? (Yes).

Therefore, because you are not infinite in knowledge, you can't say God does not exist, can you?

- e) Jesus Christ's prophecies, life, miracles, death and resurrection prove God's existence.
- f) Ask: Are you open to find out if God exists or not? Or do you have a closed mind?
- g) Ultimate proof of God lies in knowing God personally.
- h) Jesus said that God exists. This is proven by Jesus rising from the dead. This proves God exists.
- Conversation between an atheist and a Christian: Atheist said, 'God is dead'. Christian replied, 'That's strange. I spoke to Him 5 minutes ago and He wasn't even sick.'

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10. I don't need a crutch. I'm OK!

Everyone has a sin problem with God. Some realise it, others do not. You have broken God's laws, and the penalty awaits you. Your need is to come to Christ for **forgiveness**, not a psychological crutch. You may be OK now, but you can't cope with hell forever.

29. HINDRANCES TO SUCCESSFUL SOUL-WINNING

Bible Reading: Romans 10:1-15.

<u>Aim:</u> To re-motivate us to the seriousness of soul winning. What things hinder Christians from being successful soul winners?

- 1. <u>Getting sidetracked to something else:</u> eg. making money (Matthew 13:22), not following Jesus (Matthew 4:19), losing your vision of eternity (Proverbs 29:18).
- 2. <u>Not praying</u> 'Ye have not because ye ask not.' James 4:2. We must pray to become better soul winners. Some results of prayerlessness are laziness, no zeal, and no love for souls.
- 3. Not following the Roman Road plan. Romans 3:23; 6:23; 5:8; 10:13. Use the STOP Tract!
 - a) When Christians don't use it they fail as soul-winners.
 - b) They then conclude that they don't have the gift of soul winning.
 - c) They then give up on soul winning.
- 4. <u>Not following up those contacted.</u> Be friendly, spend time with new and young Christians to encourage them. Don't fear failure or rejection. Have a home Bible study with them.
- Not doing soul winning wholeheartedly. Have a special time to do soul winning each week eg. Sunday 3-5pm. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Ecclesiastes 9:10. Not sowing means not reaping. Ecclesiastes 11:1-4.
- 6. <u>Fear of what people will think</u>. Proverbs 29:25. The worst that can happen is that the person may not want to see you again. This frees you to go see someone else.
- 7. <u>Sin in your life.</u> II Peter 2:19. Sin brings us into bondage, and hinders the Holy Spirit from powerfully working through us. Confess sin to God continually.
- 8. <u>Not loving God or people enough</u>. "the love of Christ constraineth us." II Corinthians 5:14.

Conclusion: If you know someone you want to tell the gospel to, let me know, and we'll go together so you can learn from the preacher how to do soul winning. Ask God to give you a burden for soul winning. This is why we exist as a church.

30. DOOR-KNOCKING

'Go out into the highways &hedges, &compel them to come in, that my house may be filled' Luke14:23

'And daily in the temple, & $in\ every\ house$, they ceased not to teach & preach Jesus Christ.' Acts 5:42

Everyone in the church over five years of age should be encouraged to come door-knocking for the purpose of sharing God's plan of salvation with all people who will listen.

Follow this advice:

- 1) Meet at a central and comfortable location for prayer and planning.
- 2) Give literature to all who come:

a) <u>STOP</u> tracts, <u>Mailbox club lesson 1</u>, <u>John's gospel</u> for new converts, <u>RC tract</u>, *Answers* book.

b) Book to record names, addresses, phone numbers of keen people; NH= not home. Neg=negative.

3) Pair up so that an experienced person goes with one who is less experienced.

- 4) **Pray** around the group before going, asking God for:
 - Hungry hearted people prepared by God
 - Love for sinners
 - The right words to speak
 - Fill you with the Holy Spirit
 - To bind Satan's forces from interfering while talking to people
 - People to be saved that day and to come to church
- 5) Allocate pairs to do **one street at a time**. Pastor or planner should have an area map where he

records which streets have been covered and new streets needing visiting.

6) If people get saved, ask them for a home Bible study the following week.

7) Be **polite**, not aggressive. Leave if they ask you to. Remember you are looking for the people that God has prepared for you to speak with. Spiritually hungry people are the ones to spend time with.

8) When you meet people at the door, say: 'Good afternoon. I'm dropping by to leave this with you. This explains how you can know God personally and be sure of going to heaven.'

- Q: Have you thought much about God before?
- **<u>Q</u>:** May I ask a question please?
- Q: If you died tonight, do you know 100% for sure that you'd go to heaven?
- Q: Would you like to be sure of going to heaven?

<u>Q</u>: (If 'yes', ask:) This pamphlet shows from the Bible how we can be sure of going to heaven. May we look at it please?(If they say 'no', then say:) If you wish, you may prefer to read it in your own time. You'll find that it makes four points:

1) All of us have sinned and broken God's laws. I think you'd agree with that.

2) Because we've all sinned, there is a penalty on sin which is death and hell, to which we are all heading. This is bad news. None of want to go to hell, do we? The good news is that God offers each of us the gift of eternal life which we get through Jesus Christ, not through our good works or any religion.

3) Jesus Christ took the full punishment on the cross for our sins. Instead of us being punished in hell forever, Jesus had our sins taken off us and placed on Him, thus dying as our Saviour, sin-bearer and substitute. He is now available to be your Saviour if you want Him to be.

4) How may we enter heaven? We must believe that:

- a) Jesus Christ is God the Son;
- b) Jesus Christ died in our place as our Saviour;
- c) Jesus Christ rose again bodily from the dead, then
- d) Receive Jesus Christ as your Saviour, etc.
- 5) On the back page we see 3 promises: If we Receive Christ as our Saviour we become a son of God,

if we call on Christ to save us we will be saved, and if we have the Son we have life.

6) These promises are summarised in the prayer at the bottom of the page. Would you be so kind as to read it to see if it makes sense. Does it make sense? (Yes). Does it express what you honestly want God

to do? If yes, would you like to tell this to God after me?

<u>Follow-up</u> and visit those who are interested and whom you lead to Christ. Invite them to church and for a follow-up Bible study. Give them a John's Gospel and say, 'You'll have some questions. May we get together later to answer them this week?' <u>Phone</u> them and <u>regularly visit</u> good contacts.