

WEEK 9: WORKING FOR GOD
DAY 1: EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD TELL THE GOOD NEWS

1. Last week we were learning about the Bible. We learned that the Word of God has power.

What three powerful things is the Bible like when we work for God?

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2. It is like seed, fire, a hammer and a sword. God wants us to work for him. When we think of all he has done for us, we love him. We want to show our love to him. I believe you are taking these classes because you want to serve God better.

Today we will learn two things:

- 1) The most important work God wants us to do is to tell everyone the good news.
- 2) Every Christian should tell others about Jesus Christ.

When you think of all that God has done for you, what should you do for him?

3. Tell God in prayer what you want to do for him. God wants his children to work for him. But what does he want them to do? We find the answer to this in the Bible. The most important work which Christians should do is to tell the good news about Jesus Christ.

Take your Bible now and read Matthew 28:18 to 20.

Who told the disciples to go and make other disciples?

4. Jesus told his followers to go and make other disciples. He told them to go and tell the good news. This was the work which he gave for them to do. Jesus gave them this command just before he left them. He

had taught this to them from the very beginning. When he first called them, he said he would teach them to do his work.

Matthew 4:19

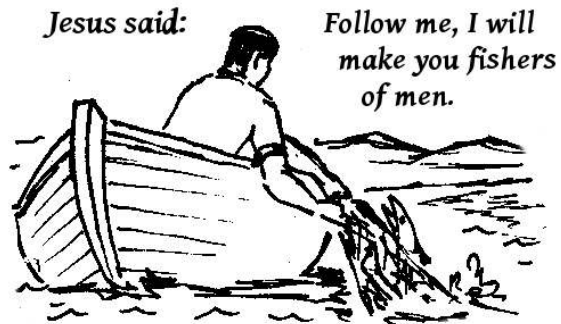
“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.”

Jesus told his disciples to go fishing. Whom did Jesus want them to catch?

5. Jesus wanted his disciples to catch men. He wanted them to preach to all men. He wanted them to tell the good news to every person.

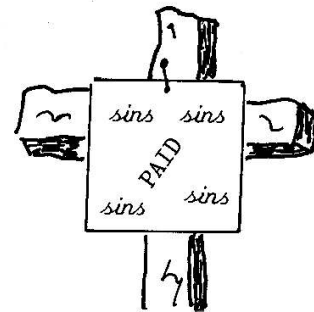
Mark 16:15,16

He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.”



What did Jesus want the disciples to preach?

6. He wanted them to preach the good news (gospel). This was the important work which followers of Jesus should do. If people will believe the good news, they will be saved. But if they will not believe it, they will be lost.



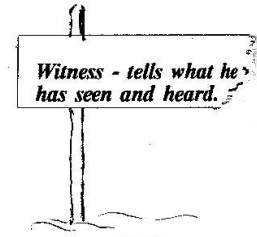
About whom is this good news?

7. This good news is about Jesus. Jesus came to take the punishment for our sins. He died so we would not have to be lost, but can have everlasting life. But people must hear about this life. They cannot believe in Jesus if they do not know about him. To tell about Jesus Christ is the important work which God wants us to do.

Who did Jesus say should do this work?

8. Jesus told the disciples to do this work. The twelve disciples were not the only chosen ones. He also told 70 other disciples to go and work for him. Then he told all his followers that they should be his witnesses.

A witness is a person who tells what he has seen and heard.



Today some people think church leaders should do all the work.

Some churches are like a boat full of people with only one man rowing the boat. The preacher does all the work in the church. The rest of the Christians are people who just sit in the boat. They don't do anything to help row the boat.

Every Christian should help in telling others about Jesus Christ.

What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

9. They should tell others the good news about him. Jesus told the disciples to tell everyone. The preacher of the church cannot tell

everyone. Sometimes people do not speak well of their preacher. They say, "Our leader is not doing a good job." "He is too old." "He is lazy." "He does not do all the work." "That is why our church grows so slowly." The leader of a church is like a shepherd. It is his work to look after the sheep. But the shepherd does not give birth to new lambs. That is the work of the sheep. Look what Paul told the leaders of the church at Ephesus.

Acts 20:28

Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers (leaders). Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

Besides the preacher, who should bring people to Christ?

10. Bringing people to Christ is the work of every Christian. Sometimes this is why people do not come to Christ. This does not mean that every Christian has to be a preacher. It means every Christian should work for God by sharing the good news.

What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

11. They should tell the good news of Jesus to everyone. If everyone is to hear, then all Christians must tell the good news. The Bible makes it clear that every Christian must be a witness. A witness is someone who tells what he has seen or heard. Every Christian should tell others what Jesus has done for him.



Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Learn this verse by memory this week.

Look carefully at this verse. What should all Christians do?

12. They should witness to everyone. They should tell the good news about Jesus. Some people only want to believe but are afraid to talk about him. Jesus said it is wrong to be afraid and ashamed.

Mark 8:38

If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.

Which people in the church should witness to others of what Jesus has done for them?

13. All the people in the church should witness. All Christians should be telling the good news about Jesus. No one should be ashamed or afraid. We have the power of the Holy Spirit to help us.

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes to you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Perhaps you think only the leaders received this power. That is not so. Read what happened.

Acts 8:1,4

On that day a great persecution broke out against the church at Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. . . Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.

Who was scattered and went to other places preaching?

14. The leaders stayed in Jerusalem to work. All the other Christians were scattered. They preached and witnessed wherever they went. They all received power to do this work.

We have learned that the Holy Spirit lives in us. He wants to work in us and through us. By his power we can tell others about Jesus Christ.

Which people should tell others about Jesus Christ?

15. Everyone must tell others about Jesus Christ. Many people never come to church. Satan keeps them away so they will not hear God's Word. But Satan cannot keep the Christians from talking to them during the week. This is why Jesus wants Christians to be witnesses everywhere.

What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

16. They should tell the good news about Jesus.

Which people should tell others about Jesus Christ?

17. Everyone in your church should be doing God's work. The leaders of the church cannot do it alone. So many people still need to hear the good news. We should all be busy doing God's work.

Who does the work of God in your church?

18. We will talk about this in class.

What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

Which people should tell others about Jesus Christ?

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DAY 2: WE SHOULD GO WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE

1. What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

Which people should tell others about Jesus Christ?

2. The most important work is to tell people the good news of Jesus. Everyone should be doing this work. It is not just the work of the preacher. We must all tell others what Jesus has done for us. This is the only way the good news can reach everyone.

Jesus promised that he would show his disciples how to do his work. Because of sin Satan has taken control of men and women. We must help these people to be set free from Satan's power. Jesus said this is like catching fish. He promised to make us fishers of men. Take your Bible now and read Matthew 4:18 to 20. Think of how we go fishing.

If we want to catch fish, where must we go?

3. We must go to the rivers and lakes where the fish are found. One day my daughter poured water into a tub. She was hanging a fishing line into the water. I asked, "Ruth, what are you doing?" She answered, "I am fishing." But of course she didn't catch any fish.



We catch fish by going to where they are. We catch people for Jesus by going to where they are. Today we will learn of many places where we can go to fish for people. At the end of the lesson you will be asked to write six of them.

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| 1) In homes | 5) On the streets |
| 2) In hospitals | 6) In stores |
| 3) In schools | 7) At bus stations |
| 4) In prisons | 8) At work |

Why didn't my daughter catch any fish in the tub?

4. There were no fish there. Some Christians think the only place to catch fish for God is in the church. Every week they try to catch fish during the meetings. But most people who attend church meetings are already "caught." They are Christians already. Few fish are caught in church. If we want to catch fish we must go where they are. If we want to catch people for God, we must go where they are. One place we must go is to their homes.



What must we tell people in their homes?

5. We must tell them the good news about Jesus. We must tell them how they can be free from their sins and have everlasting life. We must go where they are. Almost everyone has a place he calls his home. We can find people in their homes.

Where is one place we can go to fish for people?

6. We can go to people's homes. We can also go to people who are in hospitals and schools.



In schools, we may not be able to talk to children in class. But we can invite them to a children's meeting after school. Their minds are open and they will listen to what we say about Jesus. In hospitals, people are sick. They want someone to help them. We can tell them about the one who will help with their troubles and who can forgive their sins.

About whom should we tell people in hospitals and schools?

7. We should tell them about Jesus Christ. We should tell them the good news that Jesus will forgive their sin and give them eternal life. This is the most important work which we must do. We must go where the people are and tell them the good news.

We can tell people about Jesus in their homes. Where else can we go?

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8. We can tell people the good news in hospitals and schools. We should also go to prisons.

People who are in prison have problems. They have sinned. They have been caught in their sins and are being punished. They do not know how to change their lives.

Who can change their lives?

9. Jesus can change their lives. They can be born again. But these people must first hear about Jesus. They must believe and receive him. Then they will be new people. Then they can be trusted to live a Christian life.



What other place can we go to take the good news?

10. We should go to prisons. These people cannot come to church. We will never find them there. We must go where they are. We must also go to the people who have drinking problems. We can reach them in their homes or on the streets.



If you sit on the bank of a river and call to the fish, they will never come. You have to get near to them. You have to show them something good to eat. Then you can catch them.

Will people who love to drink come to church very often?

11. They will not usually come. They would rather go to places where they can drink with their friends. They love their sins. They think they are happy. They don't want to come and hear about Jesus.

Where can we reach people who have drinking problems?

12. We will talk about this in class.

We can reach these people in their homes or on the streets. It is hard to talk about Jesus to people who are drunk. We should try to visit them when they are sober.



Look at all the places we have learned about so far: 1) homes 2) hospitals 3) schools 4) prisons 5) on the streets. We must go wherever there are people. We must also go to the stores and the bus stations. We must go where people are buying and selling or coming and going.

When we go to these places, what should we tell people?

13. We must tell them the good news of Jesus. Many people do not know this good news. Some people are sinful and know it, but they do not know what to do with their sin. Other people don't look sinful. They seem to live good lives. But they still have sin in their hearts. They don't know about Jesus. They don't know how to have a new life. We must tell everyone the good news that Jesus will forgive their sins and give them a new life.

Where can we find many people buying and selling, coming and going? 1) 2)

We have learned of many places where we could go to tell people about Jesus. I will write some of them.

You write the others.

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| 1) homes | 5) on the streets |
| 2) hospitals | 6) |
| 3) schools | 7) |
| 4) prisons | 8) |

17. We must also go to the stores, bus stations, and places of work. Church leaders must care for the people who are already in the church. But they must not forget the lost people who don't come to church. The church leaders must go to those who are lost and teach their people to do the same.

Luke 15:3,4

Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?"

Write down six places where we could go to tell people about Jesus.

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18. We must go to homes, hospitals, schools, prisons, to the streets, stores, bus stations, and places of work. We must go to the people where they are. God has done so much for us and now we must work for him.

To which of these places can you go and tell people about Jesus?

19. Tomorrow you will be asked to go and tell someone the good news of Jesus. Begin now to think about someone to whom you could witness about Jesus.

Write down six places where we could go to tell people about Jesus.

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20. Are you memorizing Acts 1:8?

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 DAY 3: WITNESSING TO ONE PERSON OR A GROUP OF PEOPLE

1. Write six places where we should go to tell people about Jesus.

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2. We should go to people in homes, hospitals, schools, prisons, stores, bus stations, places of work and on the streets. Maybe you can think of other places where we can tell about Jesus. We should tell everyone the good news that Jesus died to save them from their sin. This is what we will learn today.

Different ways of witnessing		
1) One Christian can witness to one person	2) Two Christians can go witnessing together.	3) A group of Christians can have a gospel meeting

Have you ever shared the good news of Jesus with one friend?

3. This is a good way to witness. We often talk with only one person. We can talk about many things. But we should also talk about how we have been born again. If your friend doesn't understand, you can answer his questions. It is hard to do this in a meeting. You can do this better with only one person.



When you witness, whom should you talk about?

4. You should talk about Jesus Christ. Tell how God loves you. Tell how you have sinned. Tell how God sent Jesus to die for your sins. As

you talk to your friend, you can tell him how to believe and receive Jesus Christ. Tell what Christ has done in your life.

In this way of witnessing, how many people do you talk to at one time?

5. You talk to only one person. You and he talk together. You **talk** to him and then you **listen** when he talks.

If a person does not understand something, what can you do?

6. You can answer his questions. Your answers from the Bible will meet his need. You can show him that you are a friend. You can show him what God will do for him.

What is one way of witnessing to people about Jesus?

7. One way is to talk with only one person. The second way is for two Christians to go witnessing. The third way is for a group of Christians to have a gospel meeting. Jesus used these ways in his work.

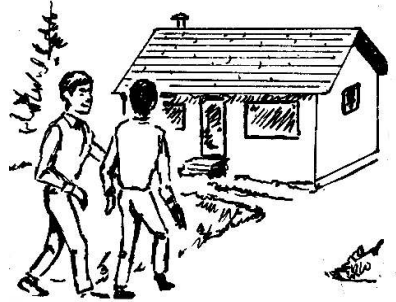
Mark 6:7

Calling the Twelve to him, he sent them out two by two and gave them authority over evil spirits.

In this verse, how did Jesus send out the disciples?

8. He sent them out two by two, that is, two going together. We can still do this today. It is a good way to witness to people about Jesus Christ.

Why do you think it is good for two Christians to go witnessing?



9. There are many reasons. Two Christians can pray together before they go witnessing. They can encourage each other. One can pray while the other is witnessing. They can help each other in answering questions. They can both pray for the people they visit.

If two men go visiting together, and find only a woman at home, no one can say they went for wrong purposes.

Which is the second way to go and witness?

10. When witnessing it is good for two people to go together. It is good when you go into homes, hospitals and schools. It is always good when you go on the streets. If there are two of you, you can help each other.

Who sent the disciples out two by two?

11. Jesus sent out the twelve disciples, two by two. Then he sent out 70 disciples. Take your Bible now and read Luke 10:1 and 2.

God wants us to witness to one person at a time. This is one way of telling the good news. What is another way?

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Different ways of witnessing		
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Sometimes it is good to have big meetings. These are not always held in the church building. Sometimes they are held in other places. Sometimes Jesus had big meetings.



Mark 2:2

So many gathered that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

When Jesus had big meetings, who do you think helped him?

13. I think the disciples helped him. Do you remember how Jesus once fed a crowd of 5,000 men? It was the disciples who carried the food to the people. They also helped to bring people to Jesus. It is good for many Christians to work together. They can help prepare for the meeting. This meeting can be held in a hall, in a big tent, or in a rented building. Sometimes people will come to a gospel meeting when they will not come to church.

As a group of Christians working together, what should we tell people?

14. We should tell them the good news that Jesus died for their sins. We should tell everyone. We cannot reach all people one by one or even in small groups. Sometimes we should have a big meeting. We can meet in a place where many people can come. We should announce the meeting to everyone.

Who should prepare for a big meeting like this?

15. It should be a group of Christians. One or two people cannot do it by themselves. A group of Christians must work together. These Christians should be taught how to have a good meeting. The message from God’s Word must be clear and not too long. The way of salvation must be preached. A few people could give testimonies about what God has done for them. There could be special singing. This helps people to listen even though they never go to church. They see that the Christians are happy. They see that Jesus can forgive their sin and give them true joy. Some Christians should be ready to talk to those who want to accept Christ.

A group of Christians can have a big meeting. This is the third way to witness to people about Jesus. What are the other two ways?

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16. A Christian can witness to only one person. Two Christians can go witnessing together. But we may not reach everyone in this way.

What is the third way to tell people the good news about Jesus?

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17. A group of Christians can have a big meeting. We have seen that many people never come to church. Jesus told us to go out and bring people to himself. If we wait for them to come to church, we will never reach them. Everyone of us should be a witness for Jesus. We must find some way to reach people who are lost.

Does your church have a plan to help people go and witness about Jesus Christ?

If you said “Yes,” write out the plan.

18. We will talk about this in class.

It is good for a church to have a plan. If your church doesn't have a plan, you should still witness. Begin now to do this work. Before next class, go and tell someone the good news of Jesus.

Write down three ways of witnessing to people about Jesus.

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19. Write out your memory verse and check it with your Bible.

WEEK 9: WORKING FOR GOD
DAY 4: SHOWING PEOPLE THE BETTER LIFE IN JESUS

1. We have been learning this week how to work for God. We have seen that all Christians should work for him. The most important work is to tell people the good news about Jesus Christ.

Write down three ways of witnessing to people about Jesus.

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2. A Christian can witness to only one person. Two Christians can go witnessing together. A group of Christians can have a gospel meeting.

When we want to catch fish, we must go to where the fish are. It is the same when we want to reach people. But going to where they are is not enough.

Today we will learn:

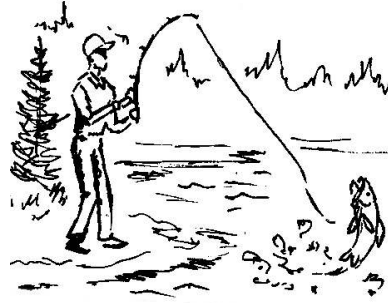
- 1) that we must talk to people with love
- 2) show them the better life in Jesus so they will want to come to him

When you fish you may have a good rod, a good line, and a good hook. What else do you need?

3. You need something to put on the hook. You need something to make the fish want to come. We call this bait. The bait may be an insect, a worm, or a bit of food. But it must be something which the fish like.

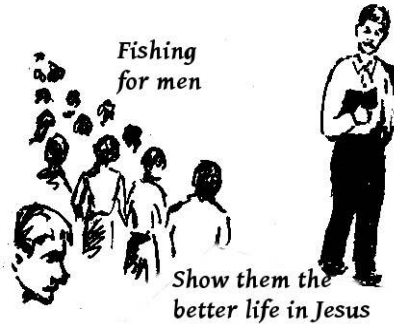
One day I went fishing. I fished for two hours and caught nothing. Then I saw a small boy who was catching many fish. I talked to him and asked why I was not catching any fish. He asked, "What kind of bait are you using?" I showed him my insects.

The boy shook his head and said, "These fish don't like that kind of bait." Then he took a worm and put it on my hook. In five minutes I had a fish!



In some ways people are like fish. Will they come to Jesus if they don't see us live a better life?

4. People will not come to Jesus if they don't see us living a better life. We cannot force them to become Christians. We must show them the peace and love that is in our life. This will make them want to come to Jesus.



John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Instead of pushing people to become Christians, how can we help them want to come? We can show them the better life in Jesus.

As we have learned, what does Jesus promise to those who take his way?

5. He promises to give eternal life. He promises to give a full life. This better life is good now and forever. It gives love, joy and peace. It satisfies us.

Who gives this kind of life?

6. Only Jesus gives this kind of life. He promises to give it to us when we take his way. He promises to forgive our sins and give us

victory over sin. He promises all these good things.

Galatians 5:22,23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

This is the kind of bait we must use to reach people. Think carefully about this. Do people see these things in your life?

7. People will see these things in our life when we live for Jesus. We have to show them the better life in Jesus. We have to tell them what Jesus has done for us.

Some Christians use the wrong bait. They try to reach sinners this way: They say to drunkards, "It is very bad to drink. Stop drinking now!" They say to men who sleep with many women, "You are very bad. Stop doing this."

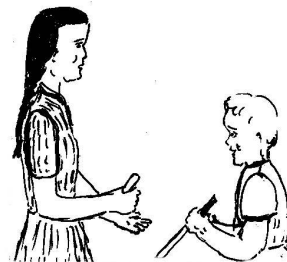
How do people feel about this kind of witnessing?

8. They don't like it and want to turn away. This kind of witnessing will not help them to come to Jesus. If we talk to them in this way they will not listen. They will only become angry. We must not push people to become Christians. We must show love to them. We must show them that we have something better than they have.

What must we show them?

9. We must show them love.

We must show them something better to take the place of what they have. People who have little children know how to do this. Maybe you have seen a small child pick up a knife or a sharp tin can. You know that you must not pull it away quickly. He will only hold it tighter. He



may cut himself. What should you do? You would give him a piece of bread or a candy, then he would drop this sharp thing.

Why does the child drop the thing which is not good for him?

10. He drops it because he sees something which is better. Lying and stealing, drinking and adultery are sin. They are harmful, just as a knife is harmful to a child. We cannot tell people to leave these sins without showing them the better life in Jesus.

What kind of life must we show them?

11. We must show them the better life in Jesus. We must show them love, joy, and peace. A child will leave a knife when he sees a candy. In the same way, a sinner may leave his sins when he sees a better way of life. He must see love, joy and peace in us. David knew this and wrote about it.

Psalm 40:2,3

He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.

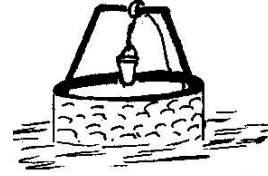
How can we help people want to become Christians instead of forcing them?

12. We must show them the better life in Jesus. When they see a spirit filled person, they will see how bad their sins are.

Jesus once showed us how to use good bait to fish for people. He had been walking all day and he was tired. He sat down to rest on a well in Samaria. When a woman came to draw water, he asked her for a drink. This woman was sinful. She was surprised that Jesus talked to her. Let us see what happened. Take your Bible now and read John 4:10 to 15.

What did the woman say after Jesus told her about the water of life?

13. She said, "Give me this water." She wanted this water so she would not have to keep coming back to the well. Jesus did not first tell her about her sins. He talked to her about living water. When she listened to him, he lovingly spoke to her about her sin.



Then he told her that he was the Messiah or Saviour.

When we want sinners to come to Jesus, how should we talk to them?

What kind of life must we show them?

14. We must talk to them with love. We must show this better life in Jesus. Then they will want to come to Jesus.

Maybe you have already been trying to bring people to Jesus.

What do you usually first say to them?

After learning this lesson, what could you say that would be better?

15. We will talk about this in class.

Write some of the good things in the Christian life which we can show people.

Have you talked to someone about Jesus this week?

If you didn't, do it today. Tomorrow I will ask you what that person said.

16. When we want sinners to come to Jesus, how should we talk to them?

What kind of life must we show them?

17. Write out Acts 1:8 from memory.

WEEK 9: WORKING FOR GOD
DAY 5: YOU SHOULD BE WITNESSING

1. This week we have been learning how to witness. Today we want to review where and how you and I should witness about Jesus. Let us go over the lessons of this week.

What is the most important work which followers of Jesus should do?

2. The most important work is to tell people the good news about Jesus. Every Christian should do this work. This means that you and I should also do it. The Bible shows us how to do it. We have already seen how Jesus talked to the woman of Samaria. That same day the woman began to witness about Jesus. She brought many people to Jesus.

John 4:28,29

Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?"

Write down six places where we could go to tell people about Jesus.

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3. We must go to people in homes, hospitals, schools, prisons, stores, bus stations, places of work and on the streets. The Bible tells us that Andrew first talked to his brother about Jesus.

John 1:41,42

The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). Then he brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are

Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

Write down three ways of witnessing to people about Jesus.

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4. A Christian can talk with only one person. Two Christians can go witnessing together. A group of Christians can have a gospel meeting.

When Philip went to Nathanael, Nathanael wanted to argue. But Philip did not argue, he brought him to Jesus.

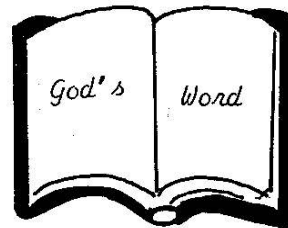
John 1:45,46

Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote - Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip.

When we want sinners to come to Jesus, how should we talk to them?

What kind of life must we show them?

5. We must talk to them with love and show them the better life in Jesus. Remember that the Samaritan woman said, “Come and see.” Philip also said, “Come and see.” It was easy for these people to bring others to Jesus because he lived with them. They could see him. These days we must show Jesus to people in a different way. They must see Jesus in the way we live.



Take your Bible now and read Acts 8:29 to 35. We can also show

them Jesus through the Word of God. Philip went to talk with a man from Ethiopia. This man was reading from Isaiah.

How did Philip help the man to see Jesus?

6. He used God's Word. This is what we can do today. Jesus is no longer living in this world as a man. He is in heaven. We can show people who Jesus is from the Word of God. To do this, we must know the Bible well. This is what Paul told Timothy about using the word of God.

2 Timothy 2:15

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Do you know the Bible well enough to use it in bringing people to Jesus?

7. You must know the Bible well. Maybe that is why you are in this class. Every Christian should bring people to Jesus. You should bring people to Jesus. Remember all the Christians in the book of Acts witnessed for Christ. They had no church buildings. They had no New Testaments or hymnbooks. Some of them did not even have homes because they were driven from them. But they brought thousands of people to Jesus Christ.

Acts 8:4

Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.

From this week of lessons, what do you think you should do for God?

8. I will not tell you how to answer this question. You are the one who will have to decide this. Think about it some more. At the end of the lesson, I will ask you to write three things which you should do for God.

We have learned that we should share the good news about Jesus Christ. We should go to where the people are. We should show them love and the better life in Jesus. We should use our Bibles. We should bring people to Christ. We have learned all these things in our heads, but that is not enough.

Some people know all these things but are not doing them.

What is more important - to know the right thing or to know it and do it?

9. Knowing the right thing does not help us unless we do it. The important thing is to go out and work for God. We must go to where the people are. The preachers cannot go to all these places. God wants everyone to witness for him.

Have you been telling other people what God has done for you?

10. Maybe you think this is hard work. Yes, sometimes it is hard. A man named D.L. Moody promised God that he would speak to one person every day about Christ. One night as he was going to bed he remembered that he had not spoken to anyone about Christ that day. He put on his clothes and he went outside. On the road he found a man waiting for a night bus. He asked him, "Is the Lord Jesus your Saviour?" At first the man became angry. Then he listened. At last he received Christ.

What would have happened to the man if Moody had not witnessed to him?

11. We will talk about this in class.

The man could have been lost, or he could have died without Christ. Both answers are right. If we do not tell people about Jesus, they will die without him. Sometimes it is easier to preach in church, than to talk to only one person. But we must tell people about Jesus.

One day a preacher passed a big store. He often bought things in the store. On this day he thought, "I have often talked with the owner of this store. But I have never told him about Jesus." He went back and entered the store. The owner greeted him and asked what he would like to buy.



The preacher said, "I have often been in your store. I have often talked with you about your work. But I have never talked about my work. Today I want to tell you about Jesus." After a long talk, the store keeper accepted Christ as Saviour.

I have asked you to talk to someone about Jesus this week. What did that person say?

12. We will talk about this in class. Many people never come to church. They will not hear about Jesus in this way. We must go and tell everyone. We must talk to older people and children. We must talk to good people and sinful people. We should pray that the Holy Spirit will give us wisdom and show us what to say. Maybe he will tell us to give gospel papers to people. Then we can talk to them again and ask what they think about the gospel papers. Remember, if we are filled with Holy Spirit, he will work through us.

John 15:26,27

When the Counsellor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me; but you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, who will work through us as we witness?

13. The Holy Spirit works through us. We have learned that the Holy Spirit shows people their sins. Sometimes it is hard to tell people the good news. Sometimes it is hard to bring them to Jesus. We must not be careless in this work. We must be wise.

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.

Will you be the same after this week of lessons?

14. I think you have seen new things in these lessons. You cannot be the same as you were before. You can refuse to work for God, but that is dangerous. You can agree to do God's work and it will bring you great joy. Jesus has promised to make you a fisher of men, but you must be willing to learn this work.

At the end of the lesson I will ask you to write what you believe God wants you to do. I do not want an answer which you have memorized. I want an answer which comes from your heart.

Stop now and ask God to show you what you should be doing for him.

15.

What should you do for God?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

16. Write out Acts 1:8 from memory.
