

## Introduction to Personal Evangelism: Can I get a witness?

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**Acts 1:8 KJV** - [8] *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

- **PP:** Whenever God supplies your needs, the way to demonstrate your gratitude to God is to seek to help meet the needs of others.

**Matthew 25:34-40 KJV** - [34] *Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35] For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: 36] Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. 37] Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? 38] When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? 39] Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? 40] And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.*

- **PP:** Just going to church cannot be and must not be the priority going forward.

### I. The post pandemic Pentecostal paradigm

- **Mark 16:15-18,20 KJV** - [15] *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

#### A: World = Kosmos =

1: The inhabitants of the earth, mankind, the human family

- **John 3:16-17 KJV** - [16] *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17] For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.*

- **PP:** The gospel message must be presented with an abundance of POSITIVITY with an intentional emphasis on OPPORTUNITY and DESTINY.

2: Kosmos = The ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ.

## **B: Preach = kērýssō**

- 1: To proclaim after the manner of a herald
- 2: To speak with gravity and an authority which must be listened to and obeyed
- 3: To publish, proclaim openly: something which has been done

## **C. Gospel = euangélion**

- 1: The glad tidings of salvation through Christ
- 2: The proclamation of the grace of God manifest and promised in Christ
- 3: The glad tidings of the kingdom of God soon to be set up, and subsequently also of Jesus the Messiah, the founder of this kingdom. After the death of Christ, the term [preach] comprises also the preaching of Jesus Christ as having suffered death on the cross to procure eternal salvation for mankind, but as restored to life and exalted to the right hand of God in heaven, soon to return in majesty to consummate the kingdom of God.
- 4: The preaching of the The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the RESTORATION of mankind back to his original state of fellowship with God and dominion over the earth.

- **PP:** Because God so loved the world that he gave us Jesus to die for all of our sins, EVERY HUMAN BEING deserves to be told that Christ died for their sins and that their soul can be saved.
- **PP:** Too many people are dying, not because they want to die, but because they do not know that LIVING is an option.

**Acts 8:26-28,30-31 KJV** - [26] *And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert. 27] And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her*

*treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, 28] Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet. 29] Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.30] And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readeest? 31] And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.*

- **PP:** You are someone's guide to God! If you don't tell them, they won't know. If you don't show them, they won't know where to go.
- **PP:** In this post pandemic Pentecostal paradigm, we will no longer wait for people to come where we are. {To the church} Instead, we will proactively and intentionally go meet them where they are, WHEREVER THEY ARE.

**Luke 14:23 KJV** - *[23] And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.*

**Mark 16:16-20** - *He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. [17] And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;*

- **PP:** It shall no longer be enough for you to have the Holy Ghost within you; The criticality of this hour now requires that EVERY BELIEVER now have signs FOLLOWING YOU!

*18] They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. 20] And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.*