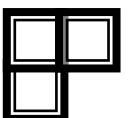


EVANGELISM TRAINING MANUAL
WINNING SOULS TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD
Changing Nations for the Glory of God!



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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT:

It is the vision and mission of **Outreach International Foundation Ministry (OIFM)** to evangelize the world through the power of God's Holy Word. Whereas God is honored and respected in every home; the work place; the schools, and businesses in every nation. To provide food, clothing, shelter, and educational assistance to include school of ministry national and international. A great demand to assist orphanages, elders, and to rebuild the ruin places in third world countries. In addition, to empower the churches through biblical training to boldly win the lost souls to the Kingdom of God within their local communities and cities. Together changing a nation to the Glory of God.

INTRODUCTION:

Many people believe winning souls for the Kingdom of God is only the responsibility of the Pastors, Ministers, or those in leadership positions within a church organization. Throughout the New Testament, the mandate has been given to every born again Believer to go out and save until every lost soul has been snatched from the control of the devil. Satan wants to get revenge against God by blinding the minds of men to keep them from believing the Gospel of Christ. Although God hates sin, yet He still loves men, and doesn't want even one soul to be lost. It is up to the Believers to carry out His Will in the Earth. (Mark 16:15; Luke 14:23; 1 Cor.4:4)

These workshops are designed to give you biblical understanding and training in winning others to the Lord more effectively by possessing a compelling love for others that gives one the desire to see them saved. Whether that be your families, friends, loved ones, co-workers, neighbors, people in your communities, those in prison or jail centers or whomever you come into contact with; we are to compel them to come to the Lord. After completing the selected workshop you will be empowered to become a "bold" witness for Christ!



Topics to be discussed

- 1. Commitment, Attitude and Faithfulness**
- 2. Why Win Souls?**
- 3. Mental Attitudes that Defeat Us in Winning Souls**
- 4. Overcoming the Spirit of Fear**
- 5. The Indwelling Presence of the Holy Spirit**
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- 8. The Process of Salvation**
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1. Commitment, Attitude, & Faithfulness:

Commitment, Attitude, and Faithfulness depend on our choices or decisions, not on our circumstances. They involve **ACTION** and go beyond our feelings. If we were to wait on our circumstances to change to do something for God we would never move! Don't "ALLOW" the distractions of life to become a hindrance to your commitment to serve God. Let's review the definitions for each of the following terms:

COMMIT: to do, perform, bind, obligate, or pledge. These are a few words that describe commitment, a promise to DO something. (1 Peter 4:19)

ATTITUDE: a position of the body or manner of carrying oneself, a state of mind or a feeling; disposition. Your attitude is the deciding factor of what the outcome of the situation will be. (Psalm 112:6-8)

FAITHFULNESS: adhering firmly and devotedly, as to a person, a cause, or an idea. One who is loyal, giving up of oneself, and who is consistent. (1 Corinthians 4:2)

One of the biggest hindrances to Commitment, Attitude and Faithfulness is selfishness. Selfishness is described as being concerned mainly for oneself without regard to other people. Forgetting ourselves is a process of the mind (Mark 8:34). When we think only about our desires, dreams, and goals we forget about God's purpose for our lives. If we delight ourselves in the Lord, He said He would give us the desires of our hearts (Psalm 37:4). We must remember to whom we are committed.

We all have "good" intentions. However, when the time comes to do something, our fleshly nature gets in the way. Desiring to do something for God must come from the heart. We have to discipline ourselves to keep our commitments to Him. It all starts with our attitude. As believers we should have an attitude of a servant, (John 2:1-8). Attitude involves a willingness to do whatever it takes. Whatever Christ tells us to do, do it even though we:

- *may not be in the "right place"*
- *may have a lot of challenges we're working through*
- *may not be very encouraged right now*
- *may not have walked with Christ for very long*

Serving God is not only hearing, but also obeying His written and spoken Word. It is doing whatever He tells us to even when it's not always going to be comfortable or convenient. A committed person makes the appropriate attitude adjustments and makes a decision to be faithful to God's plans, purposes, and pursuits.

Paul encourages Timothy to not give up, cave in, or quit in 2 Timothy 3:10-15.

The only way to succeed is to never quit! (Colossians 3:23-24) Ask yourself this; if I'm not committed to the things of God, what *am* I committed to?

2. Why Win Souls?

IT IS USELESS TO LEARN THE MECHANICS (THE HOW TO) OF EVANGELIZING THROUGH MISSION WITHOUT THE DYNAMICS (THE HOLY SPIRIT AND A WILLINGNESS) TO DO THE WORK.

It started with Adam and ended with Jesus. Romans 5:12(AMP) says, “Therefore, as sin came into the world through one man, and death as the result of sin, so death spread to all men, [no one being able to stop it or escape it’s power] because all men sinned”. Adam’s sin separated us from God in the beginning. “For just as by one man’s disobedience, (failing to hear, heedlessness, and carelessness), the many were constituted sinners, so by one Man’s obedience the many will be constituted righteous, (made acceptable to God, brought into right standing with Him)” (Romans 5:19 AMP). We were helpless in getting back in fellowship with God, so Christ came at the right time for the ungodly (Romans 5:6). God showed His love towards us while we were still sinners Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

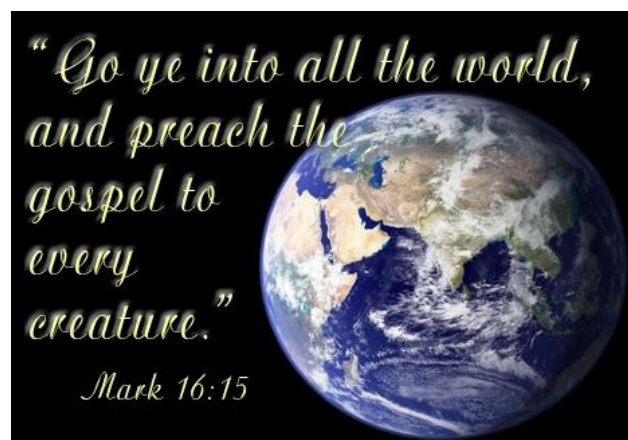
God’s purpose is to bring man back into fellowship with Himself. James 5:20 states “let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins”.

God has given the believer the ability to be an effective soul winner through:

1. The Holy Spirit, which gives us the **power** to be, witnesses. (Acts 1:8)
2. The Name of Jesus, which gives us the **authority**. (Philippians 2:9-11; Matthew 28:18-20).
3. The Word, which gives us the **knowledge**.

We are a part of changing people’s eternal destiny (2 Corinthians 5:18, 19). The harvest of souls is great and the laborers are few, so we must pray for more laborers (Matthew 9:37, 38).

Therefore we cannot allow anything to hinder us from winning souls even our negative thinking. In the next section we will examine some mental attitudes that can stop us from doing so.



3. Mental Attitudes That Defeat Us in Winning Souls:

Evangelizing is one of the most fulfilling parts of being a Christian. It is because we are carrying out the assignment that God has given to every born-again believer. In John 3:16, it says “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”. It is God’s desire that every man have eternal life. When we are led by the Spirit and win souls for Christ, it’s pleasing to the Father. In the book of Romans 8:14 it says, “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.” ***Your emotions, thoughts and feelings should not be in control.*** These things must line up with the Holy Spirit to carry out the will of the Father. However, there are times when it can be challenging to go out and win someone to Christ. The challenge isn’t always the person that you’re witnessing to. **The challenge can be within us.** Most mental attitudes that defeat Christians in soul winning are based on feelings, emotions, and negative thinking. The following are just a few of those mental attitudes that can defeat us in winning souls.

- *The attitude of feeling incompetent (2 Corinthians 3:5-6; Philippians 4:13).*
- *The attitude of not feeling led to go (Mark 16:15).*
- *The attitude that winning souls is not so important (John 15:16).*
- *The attitude that a sinner must have a mountain shaking experience in order to be saved (Romans 10:9-10).*
- *The attitude that a sinner must “Pray Through” in order to be saved (Ephesians 2:8-9).*
- *The attitude that you should only deal with “Prepared Hearts” (1 Corinthians 3:6).*

These attitudes, feelings and thoughts must all be brought into the obedience of Christ. In 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 it states, “For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ”. The key to overcoming negative thoughts and feelings is to rely on the Word of God. On the battlefield we must not allow ourselves to become confident in anything other than Christ.

4. Overcoming the Spirit of Fear:

As we yield to the Holy Spirit, He will work through us to get wonderful results. If not resisted, the fear of failure, the fear of rejection, and other such fears can paralyze a Christian's ministry. Proverbs 29:25 "**the fear of man bringeth a snare**". Many Christians have been kept in bondage never speaking out for the Lord due to concern about what people will think of them or negative thoughts planted in their minds by the devil.

1. Know that we have an adversary. The Bible tells us in 1 Peter 5:8 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion walketh about, seeking whom he may devour". Satan will try to do everything he can to deceive us from doing God's will. One of the weapons that he will try to use against Christians is **fear**. But the Word tells us that God has not given us the spirit of fear, but power and of love and of a sound mind (**2 Tim 1:7**).

POWER is the force and the ability that God has given us to evangelize the world. God says, "But you shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you shall be witnesses unto me... unto the uttermost part of the earth (Acts 1:8)

LOVE is the force and the motive God has given us to win souls. Jesus said, "For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16)

SOUND MIND (SELF-CONTROL) is the force of God to continue in evangelizing through mission and not to cave in or quit. (2 Tim 3:14-15)

2. Walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7). When you walk in faith you believe that God is going to do exactly what He said He would do. The Holy Spirit will empower you to move. When you walk in fear, you are rejecting the power of the Holy Spirit and relying on yourself. Trusting in God will cause you to walk in faith

F A I T H – Final Authority in the Holy Spirit

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 - *Faith sees the answer, Fear sees the problem. (Hebrews 11:1, Num 13:33, 14:7-8)*
 - *Faith pleases God, Fear grieves God (Hebrews 11:6, Luke 8:24-25)*
3. Renew your mind with the Word of God. There are many scriptures in the Bible that clearly state we have the victory in Christ. (2 Corinthians 2:14, Luke 10:19, I John 4:4, Ephesians 6:10, Romans 12:1-2)
 4. "For it is God which worketh in us both to will and to do of his good pleasure". (Philippians 2:13)

There are three main things you must do to walk in faith and not fear and live an overcoming soul winning life:

PRAY: The Word of God states, “ The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest” (Matt 9:37-38)

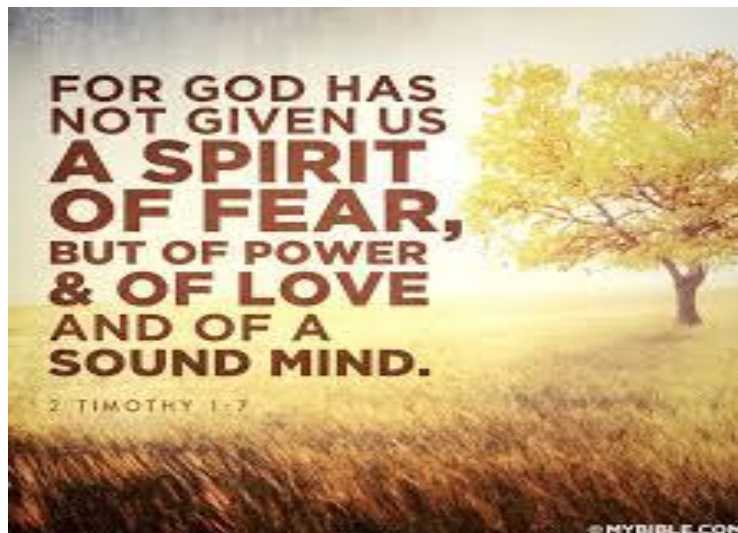
STUDY THE WORD: The Word of God states, “But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope that is in you...” (1 Peter 3:15). Likewise, it states in 2 Tim 2:15, “Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needs not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth”.

SEE THE END OF YOUR FAITH (*people saved*): The Word of God states, “Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession”. (Psalms 2:8)

Remember that you already have the victory and God has given you everything you need to evangelize and accomplish His will in the earth.

KEY POINTS:

- **Fear is the opposite of Faith**
- **God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind. (2 Tim 1:7)**
- **Pray, Study, and See the End of Your Faith**



5. The Indwelling Presence of the Holy Spirit:

The Spirit of God within us is a person, He is not an “it.”{*} He is more than just a mere influence; He is the infinite God residing within our hearts. According to the scripture in 2 Corinthians 4:7 (World Wide English version) it reads, “This is something of great value within us, but we are like pots made of earth and clay. This power is greater than any other power but it comes from God not from us”.

The Holy Spirit resides on the inside of every born again believer. He reveals Jesus to us according to John 16:13-14. The Holy Spirit is a Comforter, Counselor, Helper, Advocate, Intercessor, Strengthenener, and Standby. (John 16:7)

Realize that there are enough resources in our hearts to meet the demand of every circumstance in which we will ever find ourselves.

{*} The reason why many Christians do not experience the power of the Spirit, though He actually dwells in their hearts is because they lack reverence. We must trust the Holy Spirit the same way we trust Jesus the Son and God the Father.

□ **The Holy Spirit will lead and guide you.**

1 Corinthians 2:4-5 Paul said, “And my speech and preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power”. When you give the Holy Spirit free course to move in your life, it is not about your ability (what you can do) or your intellect (how much you know), it is about being **led** by the Spirit of God.

Romans 8:14 states, “For as many are **led** by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God”. In order to be led by the Spirit of God, you must know God. That comes as a result of spending time with God, developing a relationship with Him through the Word of God, Prayer, Praise, Worship, and Thanksgiving.

□ **The Holy Spirit is a Teacher.**

1 John 2:27 states, “But the anointing which ye have received of Him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you, but as the same anointing **teacheth** you all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him”. (**Please do not misinterpret this scripture**).

6. Evangelizing the World with Holy Boldness:

Webster Definition of Boldness willingness to take risks and act innovatively; confidence or courage. Showing or requiring a fearless daring spirit.

The First Prerequisite for evangelizing with Holy Boldness is to have confidence in the word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit. Knowing this is your confidence in Him which will empower you to be a “bold” witness for the Kingdom of God!

What is Confidence?

Confidence is defined as to have an inward certainty, to be convinced, a trust. An assurance that stands firm upon a foundation that has substance and or boldness.

Proverbs 3:26 “For the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught and **1 John 5:14** “Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will he hears us”.

It’s through confidence in our Helper, the Holy Spirit that when we come into contact with someone, He will give us the words we need to speak, “Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist” (Luke 21:14-15). In Psalms 118:8 it says, “**It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man**”, man includes the fleshly part of you. This is how we overcome the fear of failure by, “trusting in the Lord with all thy heart and leaning not unto thy own understanding, but in all thy ways acknowledging him and he will direct thy paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Let’s look at the following example:

You may find yourself witnessing to a person and there may be a lot of things going on in your mind like:

1. I don’t know what to say.
2. I can’t do this.
3. What if the person does not receive what I say?

We must remember that the Holy Spirit is on the inside of us. He is our helper. Call upon him to help you say the right things; he already knows what you are thinking. Remember, the person may not receive salvation the moment you share the Word with them, have a farmer’s mentality; Paul did. He said in the book of **1 Corinthians 3:6**, “I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase”. So confidence in Jesus and the Word must always outweigh what we feel. You may feel like you didn’t get through to that individual, but God has a plan and our confidence must be in God’s plan concerning that person’s life.

How do we walk in Confidence?

Walking in confidence starts with knowing who you are in Christ Jesus. A good example is David. While visiting his brothers and the Israelite soldiers on the battlefield, David listened as Goliath, the Philistine giant demanded an opponent for battle. It was then that David asked an important question in 1 Samuel 17:26, he asked, “**for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?**” Basically, David was saying, look we are the promised people of the living God. How can this guy think he could defeat the people who are in covenant with the almighty God? So walking in confidence means you must know what God says about you. Know the promises of God and trust in them. Later David asked permission of King Saul to challenge Goliath. The king himself doubted that David could defeat the giant. But David explained in 1 Samuel 17:36-37 “that the Lord had delivered him out of the paw of the lion and the bear and that God would deliver him out of the hand of this Philistine”. This shows the inward certainty that David had in God. **Confidence to overcome feelings, emotions and bad thoughts can be defeated by remembering other trials and tribulations God has brought you through.** He is the same yesterday, today, and forevermore.

Remember God is the one in control. All we need do is yield to His leading and He will direct our steps. **For in Him we live, and move, and have our being. (Acts 17:28, Galatians 1:16).**

The Greek word translated “boldness” means “outspokenness, frankness, plainness.” That word expresses the idea of “courage, confidence, and fearlessness.” Boldness does not mean bluntness, arrogant, or rudeness. (Col. 4:6). It’s knowing who you are in Christ and His Power and Ability operating in you to move and speak boldly. While being bold, we also want to be peaceable with all. (Rom. 12:18) Also, as we minister the good news of God’s Kingdom know the difference between boldness and tactfulness (be considered and courtesy) so that we do not offend someone intentionally. This type of boldness does not come from within or from self-reliance. But from the Creator Himself as a result of us being rooted and grounded in the Word and filled with the Spirit of God. **Matthew 10:20**, "For it is not you who speak, but it is the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you. And because of the faith and hope we have in Christ Jesus We’re able to speak the word with boldness. **2 Corinthians 3:12**

The Second Prerequisite for evangelizing with Holy Boldness is to be “Willing and Obedient”. Having a close relationship with God is the key to having a willing and obedient heart. This means spending quality time in communion with Him. This is embrace by spending time in His presence through prayer, worship, the Word of God and learning how to discern the voice of the Holy Spirit. Not spending time in His presence will cause us not to be willing and obedient to a Bold Witness for Christ.

An Example of being **willing** and **obedient**: Ananias, who lived in the city of Damascus (Acts chp. 9). The Lord told him to go to a man's house named Judas who lived on Straight Street. He was to ask for a man named Saul from the city of Tarsus. Ananias knew that Saul had done many evil things to the Believers in Jerusalem and ask the Lord if he was hearing Him right. The Lord reassured him that it was true. Ananias became a willing and obedient servant resulting in Saul receiving healing, physically, and spiritually. Saul's name was changed to Paul. Paul then went on to become a apostles to the whole non Jewish world. He was a bold witness for the Kingdom of God.

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The Third Prerequisite for evangelizing with Holy Boldness is to have “Faith to Believe” Unbelief can be one of the greatest enemies to our faith.

I’m not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it (the Word, the Word of God) is the power of God, unto what? Salvation? What is salvation, deliverance, healing, whatever you need? Unto everyone that will believe.

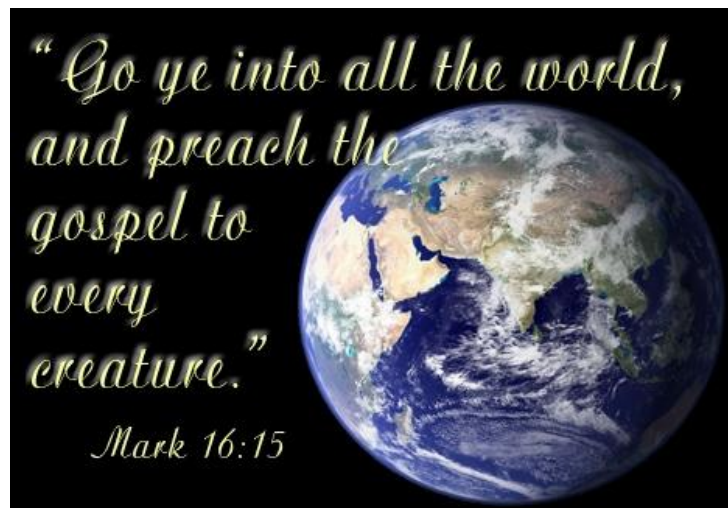
God can only work to the degree that you believe. So if you don’t believe, it may not be possible for you to be a bold witness for Christ. Your belief can’t be based on what someone else believe but that belief that’s on the inside of you. God is no respecter of person. However, He is a respecter of faith. And the Word of God will work for anybody that will put it to work.

Believing is our job and the doing is God’s job. Because of the fall of Adam, man has been trying to do all the work. But once you come into the Kingdom of God we have been redeemed and the Word of God does all the work through us. (*Romans 1:16*)

Living by faith is not an option for the “Believer” it is a way of life. God’s Word is the governing force of His Kingdom and this Kingdom operates faith.

To keep your faith strong to believe you have to continue to seek God, feed your spirit the Word of God, and pray on a daily basis. And some situations require fasting and praying. When you spend quality time in the presence of God; you will walk in total confidence and be a bold witness for Christ!

HOLY BOLDNESS: it is a supernatural boldness. Anyone who comes in contact with you knows that it is not an ordinary boldness---but they sense that it is a boldness that comes from God. A supernatural boldness is one that causes a **supernatural disturbance** in the atmosphere where everyone and everything stand still and acknowledge that God is on the scene. Acknowledge that God must be here. Your life is nothing until you give your life away. If you are not willing to lose your life for something, then you have no true reason to living.
(By: Evangelist Dorothy H. Fisher)



SCRIPTURE REFERENCES TO HOLY BOLDNESS:

Ephesians 6:19, and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,

Ephesians 3:12, in whom we have boldness and confident access through faith in Him.

Acts 4:29, "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word with all confidence,

Acts 4:31, And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness.

Isaiah 41:10, 'Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

2 Corinthians 3:12, Therefore having such a hope, we use great boldness in our speech,

Ephesians 6:19, and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,

Hebrews 10:35, Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward.

Matthew 10:20, "For it is not you who speak, but it is the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.

Acts 28:31, preaching the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.

Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept on trying when there seemed to be no hop at all. ~ Dale Carnegie

If you want to conquer fear, don't sit home and think about it. Go out and get busy. ~ Dale Carnegie

7. Living an Overcoming Soul Winning Life:

“and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith” (1 John 5:4)

As we yield to the Holy Spirit, He will work through us to get wonderful results. If not resisted, the fear of failure, the fear of rejection and other such fears can paralyze a Christian’s ministry. Proverbs 29:25 “**the fear of man bringeth a snare**”. Many Christians have been kept in bondage, never speaking out for the Lord due to concern about what people will think of them or negative thoughts planted in their minds by the devil.

We should know that if we are going to live overcoming soul-winning lives:

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The victory has already been given to us; God has given us everything we need to accomplish His will in the earth.

8. The Process of Salvation:

Salvation is derived from the Greek word *soteria*, means deliverance, redemption, safety, preservation, or defense. **One aspect of salvation that we will concentrate on is to be delivered from the power and the effects of sin.** We now understand that God has made a way of escape from the bondage of sin through His Son, Jesus Christ. We also know that eternal life is a free gift available to all that would believe in Him (Romans 6: 23, 1 John 3:8).

Through the new birth, the believer becomes a partaker of the divine nature and of the life of Christ himself (Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 2:10), this is done by faith. Without being born again, the individual is still enslaved to sin.

Our role as Christians is to share the “good news” with others on what Christ has done. (1 John 3:8, Luke 4:18-19) What must one do to be born again? How does one receive the new birth? It is through the process of salvation.

FIRST, the candidate must **Admit and Recognize** that he is a sinner (**Psalm 51:5**; additional scripture, Romans 5:12, 19). Because he inherited the fallen sin nature of Adam and Eve, he qualified as a sinner when he was born into this world. The candidate must understand that because of their sin nature, he is separated from God. Stealing, cheating, killing, lying etc. does not make one a sinner, these attributes are a result of the nature of sin within.

SECOND, once he is made aware as to what state he is in, the candidate must **Repent** (**1 John 1:9**; additional scriptures, Psalm 32:5 and Luke 13:3). Repentance means to have a change of heart, mind, and direction. The candidate has a change of heart and mind about being a sinner and wants to go in a new direction towards God. This involves making a 180-degree turn away from the sin life.

THIRD, the candidate must **Believe** and **Confess** Christ as their Lord and Personal Savior (**Romans 10: 9-10**) Through believing and confessing the candidate is freed from the bondage of sin and from the lordship of satan and establishes Jesus Christ as Lord.

***THESE THREE STEPS MAKE UP THE BORN-AGAIN EXPERIENCE. INCLUDE THEM IN THE PRAYER OF SALVATION THROUGH WHICH YOU WILL LEAD THE CANDIDATE.**

Sample prayer of Salvation: Have the candidate repeat this prayer after you:

“Heavenly Father, I admit and recognized that I am a sinner. I repent of all my sins knowing and unknowing; I believe and confess Jesus Christ as my Lord and Personal Savior according to your Word in Romans 10:9, 10. I thank you Lord for saving me! Amen.”

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Next, we have the Baptisms. Baptism or *Bapto* in the Greek, means to be completely immersed.

BAPTISM OF WATER- A symbolic representation of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The candidate is fully immersed in water. Water baptism is done in obedience to the example, which Jesus Christ has set. It is an outward sign of an inward faith. It represents the candidate having died to his or her old way of living and having been risen in newness of life in Christ. (**Roman 6:3-5 and 1 Peter 3:21**). Be prepared to baptize the individuals.

Obedience to the Word of God (**John 14:15, Romans 5:8, 1 John 5:3**) Because God has extended His love toward us through His Son. How much more should we extend our love towards Him? If you love God, you will keep His commandments. Encourage the individual to read and study the Word of God day and night.



9. Rededication:

What does Rededication mean?

According to Strong's Concordance the word **dedication** means setting apart for a sacred use.

In the American Heritage dictionary **dedication** means to set apart for a deity or for religious purposes: to consecrate (to declare or set apart as sacred).

1. To set apart for a special use.
2. To commit oneself to a particular course of thought or action.

The prefix **re**: means to do again, to anew, to join again or to reassure.

Rededication means to rejoin oneself to Jesus Christ and to be set apart for his use and purpose.

In the book of Romans 12:1-2 (NLT) it states, “And so dear brothers and sisters I plead with you to give your bodies to GOD, let them be a living and holy sacrifice-the kind he will accept when you think of what he has done for you. Is this too much to ask? Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let GOD transform you into a new person **by changing the way you think**. Then you will know what GOD wants you to do and you will know how good and pleasing and perfect His Will really is”.

What is the purpose for rededication?

The purpose for rededication is to **restore** ones relationship back with Jesus. An example of this is in Luke 15:11-24 (NLT), the parable of the prodigal son.

Why would one need to rededicate?

One reason is to guarantee your place in heaven. In the book of 1 John 5:12-13 it says, “he that hath the Son hath life and he that hath not the Son of GOD hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of GOD; that ye may know that ye have eternal life and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of GOD”.

There may be various reasons why the candidate would want to rededicate their life back to Christ:

- *Backslider (Matthew 15:24; Luke 15:3-7)*
- *Have not made a true commitment to Christ (Revelations 3:16)*
- *Desire a closer walk with GOD (James 4:8)*

Whatever the reason, it is important that we encourage the candidate to surrender his life totally to Christ.

How do I lead someone through rededication?

When witnessing, ask the candidate such questions like, do you desire a closer walk with GOD? Or how is your relationship with Jesus? Reinforce that Jesus loves them and desires to have a closer and more intimate relationship with them. James 4:8 states, “Draw close to God and God will draw close to you, wash your hands you sinners; purify your heart, you hypocrites”. Tell them it doesn’t matter what they have done for the blood of Jesus cleanseth us from all sin. 1 John 1:7.

Once the candidate has made the decision, lead him in prayer using **1 John 1:9**, “If you confess your sins, GOD is faithful and just to forgive you of your sins and to cleanse you of all unrighteousness”.

1 John 1:9(KJV)

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10. Preparation for Winning Souls:

❖ SPIRITUAL PREPARATION BEFORE YOU GO

In this section we will discuss how vital it is to be spiritually prepared before evangelizing to win souls to the Lord. **Ephesians 6:10-12** says, "To be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world, against **spiritual wickedness in high places.**"

❖ SPIRITUAL PREPARATION:

To be spiritually prepared means to surrender your spirit to God so that you can be used for the work of the ministry.

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2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new".

If a person is to be successful in winning souls he must have a personal relationship with Christ. A life that has been changed by the power of God can be a BOLD Witness for Christ.

How do you prepare yourself spiritually to win souls?

The quality time we spend in the presence of God will have a direct impact on our effectiveness to win souls. Our lives should be an example to others as Christ' life is an example to us. Spiritual preparation involves the following:

1. Studying the Word of God.
2. Prayer – interceding and praying for others and the community you're getting ready to embark upon.
3. Fasting as the Lord leads.
4. Praise and Worship.
5. Church attendance to be continuous taught the Word of God.

Why is it vital for born again believers to prepare themselves spiritually?

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. ²And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

❖ **BEFORE YOU GO:**

You must remember who you are and what authority you have in the Anointed One and His Anointing. These truths must be in your spirit and in your mind so that when you go out to win souls, you will be confident, equipped, and prepared for the work of the ministry. Jesus told the disciples in Luke 10:19 (KJV) ¹⁹ Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

1. **Come together and pray as a team covering yourself with the blood of Christ.** Covering yourself in the blood protects you from the enemy's attacks. Revelation 12:11 states, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the Word of their testimony and they loved not their lives unto death".
2. **Put on the whole armor of God.** Ephesians 6:10-18 (KJV), ¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. ¹³ Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; ¹⁵ And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶ Above all, taking the shield of faith, herewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. ¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: ¹⁸ Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;
3. **Worship the Lord.** "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and enter into his court with praise: be thankful unto him and bless his name". (Psalm 100:4). When praising and worshipping the Lord it keeps your mind focused on Him.
4. **Expect Results.** In the book of Mark 16:15-(KJV) ¹⁵ And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ 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; 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.

11. Don'ts in Witnessing:

1. Don't argue. You never get anywhere arguing. You will put a barrier between the sinner and yourself. Ask him if you can "set that question or issue on the shelf" and come back to it later.
2. Don't talk over his head. Don't use big theological words that he does not understand. Remember, preaching without reaching is no good.
3. Don't talk down to the sinner. That is, don't act self-righteous. Don't be religious, but be guided by the Holy Spirit.
4. Don't get sidetracked on opinions, doctrines, sins, etc. Stay with the Gospel.
5. Don't put him on the defense. Do not criticize or condemn his religion or opinions otherwise you will put a barrier between the two of you.
6. Don't talk too fast. Do not act like a nervous, over-anxious salesman.
7. Don't be rude to the sinner. Don't talk to the sinner the way a preacher preaches from the pulpit.
8. Don't rush him. If he feels rushed, he will balk (refuse to go on) and turn away.
9. Don't embarrass him or you will certainly make him resent you; thus forfeiting your opportunity to win him to Christ.
10. Don't pray long prayers with the sinner, **and pray with your eyes open!**
11. Don't let him do the preaching. Once you start stay in the driver's seat.
12. Don't take their excuses seriously. Don't call them a liar, but let their excuses go in one ear and out the other.
13. Don't let the "Silent Partner" interrupt the presentation. Decide who will lead and who will pray silently.
14. Don't try to get the sinner to have an experience just like yours. Give him the Gospel and get him to seek Christ and not an experience.
15. Don't allow your thoughts to dwell upon the honor of being used. Keep self out of the way and remember you are simply an instrument.

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16. Don't push the sinner beyond his measure. Your part may be to sow seed, or to water. The increase may come later.
17. Don't be dogmatic (harsh, rough) over controversial issues.
18. Don't try to get the sinner to give up certain specific sins. Show him he is a lost sinner and needs to repent and turn to Christ.
19. Don't raise unnecessary objections such as: "You must go down the aisle," or "Are you willing to quit smoking?"
20. Don't tell them to take the time and think about being born-again; always ask them if they would like to receive Christ now. Attempt to draw the net.
21. Don't yell, jerk, or shout while visiting or talking with the prospect. You will scare him away from Christ. He will think he must act like that if he becomes a Christian and will run from it. Exhibit a sane, sensible, pleasing disposition, which will cause him to want what you have. Catch the fish first and God will get the increase.
22. Don't operate on last week's experience. Get with God in prayer and receive fresh instructions from him.



12. Soul Winning Strategies:

Community Prayer Walk: The members, individuals, and other churches come together to go out and pray in the different communities on **One Accord in Unity** seeking God for the healing of the City and the strengthening of families throughout the city. Through a united effort of prayer, your city and nation can be changed! "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." James 5:16.

Neighborhood Door to Door Ministering: The members will go door to door in four Sectors (North, South, East, and West) to all the neighborhoods ministering the process of salvation, rededication, and the baptism experience by implementing the Word of God.

Street / Tract Ministering: The members will sow gospel tracts and the Word of God into the lives of people at city parks, flea markets, supermarkets, fair/carnival, music festival, downtown or generally high traffic areas throughout the city. In addition, be willing to provide resource information for individuals needing food, clothing, and shelter.

Prayer Station: This is the most effective and successful method that has been found to evangelize people on the streets. The setup is a portable table with a red and white "Prayer Station" banner on poles. The members approach the individuals asking if they have any prayer requests to pray in agreement with the individual. Requests are prayed for right on the spot. People are not offended by prayer and as we seek God for them at the Prayer Station, God opens up marvelous opportunities for us to talk and pray for their deepest need 'Salvation'. Prayer Stations can be held many times throughout the year as often you would like to have them in several locations. The Prayer Station can be purchased from <https://prayerstations.org/>

Follow-up Team: This team ensures proper tracking of those ministered to by contacting the individuals once a month that need prayer and wish to join the church if the individual is without a church home. This can be done using your home, mobile, email, and social medias. Sometimes you might be that follow-up person as well. Continue to cover the individuals in your personal prayer time.

Community Events: *(strongly recommend a committee when hosting different events)*

- **Festival Events:** The purpose of this event is to reach people where they are from all walks of life as believers exemplifies the love of God through entertainment, music, games, and etc. This community event is like no other in that it will target to meet the basic, mental as well as the spiritual needs of all people, whether they are hungry, depressed or just need someone to talk to. This is another Soul Winning strategy to win the lost unto the Lord. It allows you to share your faith in Christ and the plan of salvation. Such as a "**Summer Soul Festival Events**" has known to be very successful in reaching the lost.
- **Church without Walls:** This is an awesome soul winning strategy as well. This event will operate as in a normal church setting but will be held in the church parking lot. Opening Prayer, Praise and Worship, Choir singing, and invite 2 or 3 other choirs to participate in this event; preaching by altar call for Salvation and Prayer (*Prayer team or can be done corporately*). Also we can have water bottles on hand for individuals needing water.
- **Community Fish Fry Event:** This is another soul winning strategy to reach the lost souls. This can be held in an open park or an open space where many homeless and lost souls hang out.

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Many souls are drawn to a Fish Fry Event. Before serving the fish sandwich the individual receives prayer, salvation, and rededication at the Prayer Station. You only need Fish, Drinks, water, and the condiments. It's not necessary to provide a whole fish plate unless you feel led to do so. I strongly recommend you get family members, and the residents in that community to assist with volunteering and etc.

- **Thanksgiving Event:** The purpose of this event is to show the love of God by preparing a Thanksgiving dinner to feed those that may be homeless, without or, do not have enough at home. By having such an event will draw many lost souls to the Lord.
- **Christmas Event:** This particular event demonstrates the love of God by passing out Spiritual Christmas Cards, gifts, or tokens of love throughout the City, Market Place, Downtown, the Homeless, Less Fortunate, Elder Communities, Nursing Home, Shelter Locations, and etc.



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Evangelist Tamike Brown!