

*Session Five: How Do I Make Disciples?*

I. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Bible

A. Evangelism \_\_\_\_\_

“Evangelism is \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel with the aim to \_\_\_\_\_.”<sup>1</sup>

1. Teaching the Gospel
2. With the Aim to Persuade

B. Evangelism \_\_\_\_\_

The theme of Scripture is \_\_\_\_\_.

“The whole Bible, both Old and New Testaments, is a missionary book, the revelation of God’s purpose and action in mission in human history.”<sup>2</sup> “On this basis we can say with confidence that ‘the central theme of the Old Testament is the revelation of the redemptive activity of God in and through the Son, Israel’

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<sup>1</sup> J. Mack Stiles, *Evangelism: How The Whole Church Speaks of Jesus* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2014), 26.

<sup>2</sup> Arthur F. Glasser, et. al, *Announcing The Kingdom: The Story of God’s Mission in the Bible* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003), 17.

(Knight 1959:9).”<sup>3</sup>

1. God created humanity knowing they would fall with a plan to redeem them from eternity past- Matthew 25:34; Ephesians 1:4; Revelation 13:8 (positive); 17:8 (negative)
2. God choose Abraham to bear the Seed that would be a blessing to all nations- Genesis 12:1-3
3. God choose to work with the people of Israel to be a “light to the Gentiles”- (OT)
4. God provides the Messiah to Israel- the Gospels
5. God breaks Israel off the tree and grafts the Gentiles in- Romans 11:11-12
6. God works through the Church to spread the Gospel- Acts, the Epistles
7. God will bring all the elect into redemption, judges the wicked and glorifies the saved, all for his own glory- Ephesians 1:4; 1 John 3:2; Revelation 7:1-17; 20:11-15

II. Evangelism \_\_\_\_\_

Doctrine \_\_\_\_\_, which includes

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<sup>3</sup> Glasser, *Announcing The Kingdom*, 17; George Angus Fulton Knight, *A Christian Theology of the Old Testament* (London, EN: SCM, 1959), 9.

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A. Doctrinal \_\_\_\_\_ for Evangelism

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of God- Isaiah 6:3

Stephen Charnock, “Holiness is a glorious perfection belonging to the nature of God, hence he is in Scripture styles often the Holy One, the Holy One of Jacob, the Holy One of Israel, and oftener entitled Holy than Almighty, and set forth by this part of his dignity than any other; you never find it expressed, his *might name* or his *wise name*, but his *great name*, and most of all his *holy name*.”<sup>4</sup>

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Man- Romans 3:10-18

Will Metzger, “Self-centered humans, although having enough knowledge of God to render us inexcusable (Rom. 1:19-21), suppress this truth by their wickedness (Rom. 1:18), which leads to futile thinking and foolish, darkened hearts. Therefore God gives them over to the sinful desires of their hearts (Rom. 1:24).”<sup>5</sup>

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel- 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Mack Stiles, “We don’t teach math or biology. We teach the gospel. It’s important to teach the gospel well because there is much confusion

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<sup>4</sup> Stephen Charnock, *The Works of Stephen Charnock Volume Two* (Carlisle, PA: Banner of Truth Trust, 2010), 190.

<sup>5</sup> Will Metzger, *Tell The Truth: The Whole Gospel Wholly By Grace Communicated Truthfully & Lovingly 4<sup>th</sup> Edition* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2012), 167-168.

about it around the world.”<sup>6</sup>

B. Doctrinal \_\_\_\_\_ for Evangelism

1. Because God is \_\_\_\_\_ and we are \_\_\_\_\_, we depend wholly upon God for \_\_\_\_\_ - Romans 3:10-18; Ephesians 2:1-3
2. Because we are \_\_\_\_\_, our methods must be conducted according to the \_\_\_\_\_ - Romans 10:13-17

III. Evangelism \_\_\_\_\_

A. Begin by \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Read the \_\_\_\_\_ and the book of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Read \_\_\_\_\_ about the Gospel.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ it in your own words.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel

1. Important Reminders of the Task
  - 1) Humans are simply \_\_\_\_\_, God gives the growth- Acts 13:48; 1 Corinthians 3:6-9; 2 Timothy

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<sup>6</sup> Stiles, *Evangelism*, 31.

2:22-25

J. I. Packer, "Our evangelistic work is the instrument that he uses for this purpose, but the power that saves is not in the instrument: it is in the hand of the One who uses the instrument."<sup>7</sup>

- 2) There are different \_\_\_\_\_ - Matthew 12:1-9, 18-23
  
2. Learn from \_\_\_\_\_ - 1 Corinthians 4:16; 11:1
  
3. Be intentional- Luke 4:16; John 18:20; and Acts 17:1-3
  - 1) "Long-term intimate: family, close friends, roommate"
  - 2) "Long-term acquaintance: some relatives, neighbors, peers, people at school or work"
  - 3) "Short-term intimate: friends, business associates, classmates"
  - 4) "Short-term acquaintance: people met in passing in a store, on a bus, at the beach"<sup>8</sup>

Mack Stiles, "We must deliver the message regardless of the discomfort produced, effort required, and shame endured. Ambassadors *exist* to deliver messages."<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> J. I. Packer, *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2008), 32.

<sup>8</sup> Metzger, *Tell The Truth*, 213.

<sup>9</sup> Stiles, *Evangelism*, 101.

4. Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel into conversations

5. Closing Remarks

Pray earnestly that God would make the gospel an essential part of your life and thought.

Pray that God would lead you to speak to people about Jesus.

Take opportunities to share the Gospel with others.

Discipline yourself to the godly task of learning how to evangelize.

## *Recommended Resources*

### *Books*

J. Mack Stiles, *Evangelism: How The Whole Church Speaks of Jesus* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2014)

Arthur F. Glasser, et. al, *Announcing The Kingdom: The Story of God's Mission in the Bible* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003)

J. I. Packer, *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2008)

Robert E. Coleman, *The Master Plan of Evangelism, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Publishing, 1993)

Will Metzger, *Tell The Truth: The Whole Gospel Wholly By Grace Communicated Truthfully & Lovingly 4<sup>th</sup> Edition* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2012)

Greg Gilbert, *What Is The Gospel?* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2010)

### *Websites*

[Thegospelcoalition.org/courses/](http://Thegospelcoalition.org/courses/)

I recommend the following courses: What is the Gospel?, Worldview Basics, World Religion Basics, Bible Basics, and Evangelism, Discipleship, & Mission.

[Desiringgod.org/topics/evangelism](http://Desiringgod.org/topics/evangelism)

This is an excellent overview of the topic of Evangelism.