

## Found People Find People 1-How Do I Share My Faith?

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Jesus plus NOTHING=Everything.  
For us, it's not about What we can DO to GET to God,  
BUT What God has ALREADY DONE to GET to us!

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The problem is although we want to share, we  
either don't know how, we're afraid, or we don't care.  
It's Knowledge, Fear, or Apathy.

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WE SHOULD CARE. WE DON'T NEED TO BE AFRAID. I'LL SHOW US HOW.

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What I just did was the perfect Illustration of Evangelism...  
All I did was tell you about something I really like in a compelling way.

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We should have fans and foes because of Christ. Jesus did.

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### 2 CORINTHIANS 2:15-17

*"For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one we are an aroma that brings death; to the other, an aroma that brings life."*

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We're on a MISSION to CHANGE THE WORLD one person at a time.

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*Matthew 28:18-20.*

*<sup>18</sup>Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: "God authorized and commanded me to commission you: <sup>19</sup>Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. <sup>20</sup>Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I'll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age."*

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*Mark 16:15*

*"go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."*

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Luke 15

### The Parable of the Lost Sheep

*"Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But*

*the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."*

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### **The Parable of the Lost Coin**

**8** *"Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."*

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### **The Parable of the Lost Son**

**11** *Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.*

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Three Observations about what Jesus said to us...

#### **1. Lost people MATTER TO GOD**

2. Lost people deserve an ALL OUT SEARCH.
  3. Found people are a cause for CELEBRATION
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*Here is another truth that we must clear up before we go any further...*  
*The CHURCH is God's ONLY PLAN for world evangelization!*  
In other words, the CHURCH is the world's ONLY HOPE!  
The Church Is THE CITY ON THE HILL OF THE WORLD.

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Matthew 5:14-16...

*"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.*

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People-Our Calling is to GO and Make other Christians everywhere our feet land Baptizing and teaching them how to live now that they know Jesus All authority has been given to Him! He is our King! And the King's Commission to us is to GO and Duplicate.

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Are we Duplicating?

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If the 1<sup>st</sup> Century church had a mission statement it would have read... "we, the first church exists to love lost people, save lost people, and to disciple lost people to find more lost people.

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The church, little (c) "ME" and big (C) "WE", are a reflection of the heart of Jesus. Like Jesus, I/WE exist to stay up late for the lost! I/WE exist to give up Personal comfort for the lost! I/WE exist to suffer sometimes brutal persecution for the lost! I/WE exist to give everything we have to FIND the lost.

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We will never meet a person who does not need what God has to offer in Jesus Christ.  
We will never come across any person who is not the object of God's greatest love and concern.

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George Verwer  
*"if only we could see the value of one soul as God does"*

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3 things I want to teach you today...

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1-How to talk conversationally about your walk with God with anyone.

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The reason that most people don't share their faith with Non-Christians is that they don't regularly share their faith WITH CHRISTIANS.

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2-How to share the story of how you came to know Jesus anywhere.

TESTIMONY ("Me-amony") ("Myography")

*"People can argue with my logic, but they can't argue with my story"*

Less is more here ... it's the elevator version ... Leave them wanting more!

life before Christ, how you gave your life the Christ, and the difference it has made since then. Write it down. Practice it.

Pray for opportunities to share it.

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3-How to share the Gospel message simply and quickly.

ONE VERSE METHOD

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Romans 6:23

For the WAGES of SIN is DEATH, BUT, The GIFT of GOD is ETERNAL LIFE through JESUS CHRIST our Lord.

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*Draw a box around WAGES.*

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*Draw a box around SIN*

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*Draw a box around DEATH*

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*Draw a box around GIFT*

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*Draw a box around GOD*

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*Draw a box around Eternal life*

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*Draw Jesus Christ across the bridge.*

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GOD is ETERNAL LIFE through JESUS CHRIST our Lord.

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How do you receive the free gift? Simple. Take it.

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**Admit** that your a sinner. (Rom 3:23) For ALL have sinned...  
**Believe** that Jesus Christ died for me. (John 3:16) For God so loved...  
**Confess** that Jesus Christ is Lord. (Rom 10:9) Confess...

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Theodore Williams

*“we face a humanity that is too precious to neglect. we know a remedy for  
the ills of the world too wonderful too withhold... we have a Christ too  
glorious to hide. we have an adventure too thrilling to miss.”*

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Romans 10:13-15

*“Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved.” But how can they call on  
him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they  
have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells  
them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the  
Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news.”*

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It's both a calamity and tragedy that people are surrounded by  
Christians, and yet will die and go to hell cause we didn't speak.

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2 Corinthians 5:14-21

*Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal  
through us We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.  
For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him  
we might become the righteousness of God.”*

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