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## Evangelism Update 08-24-08

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### Note from Jim:

Our team will not be meeting for street fishing during our normal time this Saturday. Instead, we'll be manning the Calvary Crossroads coffee outreach trailer at the Manzanita rest area this Sunday from 7pm to Midnight. Along with providing free coffee to Labor Day weekend travelers, we'll be giving out tracts and sharing the gospel of salvation with those that the Lord brings there. Stop by to say hi, offer encouragement and pray with us if you would. It's located on I-5 North between the Merlin and Hugo exits.

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### Scripture of the Week:

For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, (Philippians 1:29)

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### Quote of the Week:

"Buddha never claimed to be God. Moses never claimed to be Jehovah. Mohammed never claimed to be Allah. Yet Jesus Christ claimed to be the true and living God. Buddha simply said, 'I am a teacher in search of the truth.' Jesus said, 'I am the Truth.' Confucius said, 'I never claimed to be holy.' Jesus said, 'Who convicts me of sin?' Mohammed said, 'Unless God throws his cloak of mercy over me, I have no hope.' Jesus said, 'Unless you believe in me, you will die in your sins.'" (Unknown)

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### Recommended Resource:



[Click here](#) to watch Stuart Migdon's brand new free video series: How to avoid the nine mistakes most Christians make when attempting to give Jesus full control of their life!

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## AFTER EDEN

by Dan Lietha



The future population of Earth appeared doubtful for quite a while until Adam & Eve finally kissed and made up.

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### Questions & Objections:

This Q&A comes from [The Evidence Bible](#).

**Q.** Why are there so many denominations?

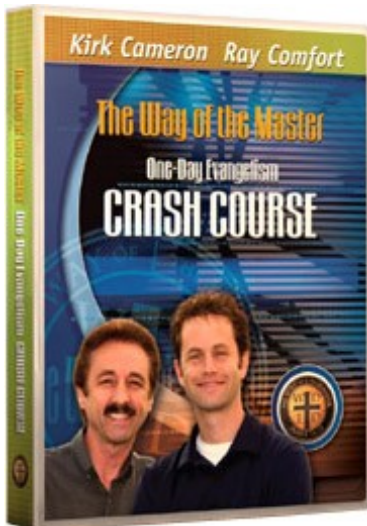
**A.** In the early 1500s, a German monk named Martin Luther was so conscious of his sins that he spent up to six hours in the confessional. Through study of the Scriptures he found that salvation didn't come through anything he did, but simply through trusting in the finished work of the cross of Jesus Christ. He listed the contradictions between what the Scriptures said and what his church taught, and nailed his "95 Theses" to the church door in Wittenberg, Germany. Martin Luther became the first to "protest" against the Roman church, and thus he became the father of the Protestant church.

Since that split, there have been many disagreements about how much water one should baptize with, how to sing what and why, who should govern who, etc., causing thousands of splinter groups. Many of these groups are convinced that they alone are right. These have become known as Protestant "denominations."

Despite the confusion, these churches subscribe to certain foundational beliefs such as the deity, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Bible says, "The foundation of God stands sure, having this seal, The Lord knows them that are his" (2 Timothy 2:19). Thomas Jefferson once wrote of a preacher, Richard Mote, who "exclaimed aloud to his congregation that he did not believe there was a Quaker, Presbyterian, Methodist, or Baptist in heaven, having paused to give his hearers time to stare and to wonder. He added that, in heaven, God knew no distinctions."

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### One-Day Way of the Master Training:



We would be glad to host a Way of the Master evangelism training for your church or small group. This one-day seminar is a proven, effective way to help people overcome their fear of witnessing and show them how to reach out to the lost. We will quickly equip those who attend to simply and effectively share their faith with family, friends, and strangers. What makes our training unique is when the classroom training is over, you have the option to hit the streets and immediately start to use the new tools you have just learned. The seminar consists of the following activities:

- Three powerful interactive messages that will equip the attendees in how to share the gospel effectively and biblically with anyone, anytime, anywhere.
- Quick Tips on how to have fun sharing your faith while overcoming your fears.
- Quick Tips on how to effectively witness one-2-one using the Way of the Master.
- Hands-on, in-the-trenches training with proven leaders.

The One-Day Way of the Master Training is **FREE** for the host and to all who attend.

\*\* The Way of the Master has been commended by Franklin Graham, Dr. D. James Kennedy, David Wilkerson, Bill Gothard, John MacArthur, Ravi Zacharias, David Jeremiah, Joni Eareckson Tada, Josh McDowell, and many other Christian leaders.

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### Weekly "Fishing" Report:



Our family went camping over the weekend. I packed some tracts and Holly helped me give out a number of them as we checked out Newport and the surrounding sights. We came across Johnny Depp at the Waxworks. I couldn't resist the chance to show him the [Curved Illusion](#). As you can see in the picture above, he appeared to be mesmerized by the trick. (ha-ha)



In lieu of the usual "fishing" report, I thought I'd share a witnessing audio from last Saturday at the Josephine County fair. This comes from the one-2-one I had with Melissa. You may remember from the last newsletter, Melissa was a carny working one of the game booths. She saw my "Name Ten Get \$20" shirt and called me over to ask about it. I gave her 60 seconds to name all ten commandments. She got five. I then asked if she's at least kept the commandments she'd just told me that she knew, and that swung into [The Good Person Test](#). Something really neat happened. As we went through the commandments and revealed her sin in lying, stealing, lusting and blasphemy she recognized that she'd be judged guilty by God. I asked her how then would she make it right? How would she settle it up with God? She looked me in the eye and said, "I don't know. I've actually been trying to figure that out." God's timing is great! I then got to share the gospel with her. She'd broken God's Law but Jesus had paid the fine through his death and resurrection. Her repentance and faith in Christ would mean God could dismiss her case on Judgment Day due to lack of evidence ... there would be no sin to see. It really is good news that we get to share. She took a Gospel of John and an [Are You Good Enough To Go To Heaven?](#) Tract when we were done.

[Click here](#) to listen to the MP3.

Pray for the seed that was sown. May the Lamb of God receive the rewards of his suffering.

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#### Prayer Points:

- Pray for the salvation of Jewish people this week.
- "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:37-38, ESV)

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#### Calendar:

- **Fishing on the I-5 (new)**  
*Sunday, August 31, 7pm to Midnight*  
We'll be at the Manzanita rest area on I-5 North. See "Note From Jim" above.
- **Downtown Fishing Hole (Recurring)**  
*Saturdays*  
Street witnessing (3pm to 6pm) downtown along 6th Street. Meet in the Budget Internet parking lot (4th St & F St).

If you would like to join us, [email us](#) your contact info.

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