



Evangelism Update 04-01-07

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Southern Oregon eXtreme Evangelism '07:



eXtreme Evangelism (XE) is like nothing you've seen before. Forget about dry lectures or workshops on witnessing. XE is a hands-on experience. This is your chance to face your fears and get on the frontlines for Jesus Christ. We'll put legs to The Way of the Master teaching. Prepare to be stretched, and learn how to share your faith both biblically and effectively. Come sharpen your sword and join us in the battle for souls!

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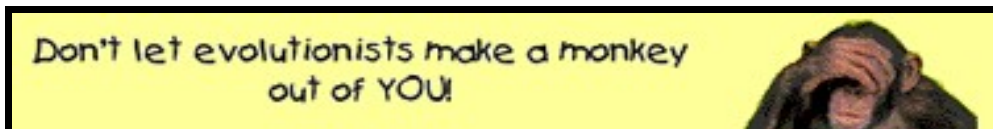
Scripture of the Week:

What I say to you I say to all, "Be on the alert!" (Mark 13:37, NASB)

Quote of the Week:

"Ask Paul why [the Law] was given. Here is his answer, 'That every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God' (Romans 3:19). The Law stops every man's mouth. I can always tell a man who is near the kingdom of God; his mouth is stopped. This, then, is why God gives us the Law -- to show us ourselves in our true colors." (D. L. Moody)

Recommended Resource:





Questions & Objections:

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

O. Because Jesus died on the cross, we are all forgiven of every sin.

A. The forgiveness that is in Jesus Christ is conditional upon "repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21). It is a gift that God offers to everyone, but individuals must receive it by repenting and trusting in Christ, or they will remain dead in their sins. No one has biblical grounds to continue in sin, assuming that they are safe just because Jesus died on the cross. See 1 John 3:4-6.

Weekly "Fishing" Report:

Greg, David and I met for street fishing on Saturday. We headed down 6th Street and passed out a number of [April Fools](#) tracts on our way to Riverside Park. I'd printed close to 200 of the tracts on blue paper, and we handed them out saying "Tomorrow's April Fools Day. Happy holiday!" We gave them all out easily before the afternoon was over. In fact, we had to pull out other tracts ([NZ Smart Cards](#) and [Million Dollar Bills](#)) to keep going.

We had a handful of one-2-ones between us, but the most memorable had to be William. David hurt his ankle while at the park, so Greg and I were going to walk back and get my car and then give David a ride home. As the three of us passed William, he stood up and said "Come here, brothers! Let's pray! Can I pray with you?" At first I thought maybe he'd noticed David had hurt himself, but David wasn't limping too bad. Perhaps he'd seen us passing out tracts?



William (center) with Greg and David.

We stopped and I have to admit I was a little hesitant to let him pray with us. Coming from an occult past, I'm a little leery of someone who may be a Mason or from another religion praying over me. I listened carefully as took hold of our hands and he began. William started right in, praising God and thanking Jesus for dying for our sins! He prayed for a bit and then asked me to pray too. I was amazed. It was obvious he was homeless, so I asked if I could bring him something to eat when we came back with the car. He said "no" and that he was fine. In fact, he was more concerned about us and told us about a free spaghetti dinner that was going to be offered at one of the shelters later. I was really convicted by the encounter, and I took a good look at my preconceived notions. We showed William some of the tracts we were passing out and he asked if he could have a few to share with people. David and Greg handed him several and he gave a big smile saying "Hey! I'm going to be sharing the word of God!"

Greg and I then excused ourselves so we could go get the car and look after David.



David in a one-2-one with a young man at the park.

David was actually feeling better when we got back, and we thought we'd do another sweep through the park

before wrapping up. It wasn't long before we came across William again, so we got to talk more with him this time around. His Bible had been lost or stolen, and I got to give him one that I had with me. (I just realized I wouldn't have had it there if we hadn't gone to get the car.) We also learned that he was homeless by choice, for ten years he'd been a drifter just traveling from state to state and around the world. He told us that people often asked why he didn't have a home, and he'd answer that his home was in Heaven. That gave me an opening and I asked how he answered when people asked how to get to Heaven. He said, "I've been thinking about that, and I need to practice and get better at explaining it." He mentioned something about getting baptized and the Holy Spirit, but didn't have a clear or definitive answer. I took the opportunity to share the [Way of the Master](#) with him and walked him through the biblical gospel: sin, righteousness, judgment and grace. We also looked at John chapter three. It helped fill in some of the gaps in what he was saying and brought things into focus where he'd gone a bit off track ... probably from not being plugged into a regular church or fellowship for so long. Afterwards, he hugged each of us and sincerely thanked me again for the Bible.

Pray for the seed that was sown. May Jesus receive the glory He is due!

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.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for William. (See the Weekly Fishing Report.)
 - "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." (Matthew 9:37-38, NASB)
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Calendar:

- **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).
- **DMV O/A** (Recurring)
Wednesdays
Open Air preaching at 8:45am to the people waiting for the DMV doors to open.
- **Way of the Master Evangelism Training**
April 7th, 4pm - 8:30pm
Rivers of Life Foursquare Church - Youth Building, 450 SW "J" St, Grants Pass
See the [flyer](#) for details.
- **Southern Oregon eXtreme Evangelism '07**
July 27-29
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