



Evangelism Update 04-22-07

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Note From Jim:

Here's something from the latest Way of the Master newsletter...

When ABC ran a story in January about hundreds of atheists video-taping themselves blaspheming the Holy Spirit, Ray contacted the network and told them he could prove God's existence, absolutely, scientifically, without mentioning the Bible or faith. He said that he and Kirk would like to challenge the two originators of the "Blasphemy Challenge" to a debate on the existence of God. ABC loved the idea. The debate will be filmed for Nightline in New York City, and will be streamed LIVE on their [website](#) on May 5, 2007.

As you probably know, Ray has credentials for this debate as the author of *God Doesn't Believe in Atheists*, a speaker at Yale on the subject of atheism, and a platform speaker at the 2001 American Atheists Inc. annual convention. And Kirk, possibly the most highly respected ex-atheist in Hollywood, is the perfect choice to address the unscientific nature of Darwinian evolution.

Please keep this event in your prayers. We couldn't be more excited about the opportunity!

Scripture of the Week:

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. (Philippians 2:3-4, NASB)

Quote of the Week:

"Hear me! Every church without a prayer meeting condemns us; every dry eye condemns us. Unless we repent now, unless we fast and weep now, woe unto us at the judgment!" (Leonard Ravenhill)

Southern Oregon eXtreme Evangelism '07:



Southern Oregon
eXtreme Evangelism
July 27-29, 2007
www.fool4given.com

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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When creationists watch
National Geographic TV specials

Recommended Resource:



Questions & Objections:

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

Q. What should I say to someone who acknowledges his sins, but says, "I just hope God is forgiving"?

A. These people could be referred to as "awakened, but not alarmed." explain that God is forgiving -- but only to

those who repent of their sins. Ask him, "If you died right now, where would you go?" If he says, "Hell," ask if that concerns him. If it does concern him, ask, "What are you going to do?" Then tell him that God commands him to repent and trust the Savior. If it doesn't concern him, speak of the value of his life, the threat of eternal damnation, and the biblical description of hell. Caution him that he doesn't have the promise of tomorrow, and plead with him to come to his senses.

Weekly "Fishing" Report:

Carla and Creighton did some street fishing down in Medford on Sunday until the rain picked up. They went through 1 and 1/2 packs of tracts and had about 10 one-2-ones. A man named Joe professed some belief, but not in the whole gospel. He's going through some trials with his neighbors and Carla plans to pray for him. She also met a young woman wearing a lip ring and the typical rebellious look. She told Carla she didn't want the tract and said her dad hands them out all the time. Apparently that didn't seem to add up. From how Carla describes it, she felt a real compassion for the girl. Creighton had his usual sweet and sincere interactions where people can't help but be polite to him. He was bold and eager as usual. (I thank God for you two!)

Rain kept us from going out here in Grants Pass on Saturday. We plan to be back out per normal this coming weekend. In the meantime, let me share something that Mary Graves (13-years-old) posted on our [message board](#).

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Wow! I have something amazing to tell y'all! I was on the phone last Thursday for (I kid you not) two hours with technical support trying to fix a problem on our laptop. The guy who was helping me was from India. He had a very thick accent, so it was difficult to understand him and I had to ask him to repeat things back to me. I had to speak slowly as well, so I wouldn't have to repeat things back to him. At the end, I said, "May I ask you a question?"

He said, "Okay."

Me: "Do you consider yourself to be a good person?"

Him: "Oh, yes. Yes, I do."

Me: "May I ask you three quick questions to see if that's true?"

Him: "Okay."

Me: "Have you ever told a lie?"

Him: "Yes."

Me: "What do you call someone who tells lies?"

Him: (thinking for a moment) "A liar."

Me: "Have you ever stolen anything, even something small?"

Him: "Yes."

Me: "What do you call someone who steals things?"

Him: "A thief."

Me: "Okay, now Jesus said whoever looks at a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery in his heart. Have you looked with lust?"

Him: "I have looked at a woman, yes, but..."

Me: "But Jesus said you don't even have to commit the physical act of adultery, you just have to look with lust. So have you looked with lust?"

Him: "Yes, I have."

Me: "So, by your own admission, you are a liar, a thief, and a adulterer at heart!"

Now he was laughing nervously.

Me: "So, one day we will all die and stand before God, right?"

Him: "Yes, we will."

Me: "Would God find you innocent or guilty?"

Him: "Uhhhhh..." (he continued to laugh nervously)

Me: "Come on now, innocent or guilty?"

Him: "Uhhhhh..."

Me: "I know I would be found guilty. I have broken God's law. Innocent or guilty?"

Him: "Uhhhhh..."

Me: "Okay, listen to this: the Bible says that all liars will have their part in the lake of fire. That means that you and I are going to hell!"

Him: (thinking for a while) "That means everyone is going to hell!"

Me: "That's right. Does that concern you that you are going to hell?"

Him: (still laughing nervously) "No..."

Me: "Well it concerns me very much! That's why I'm talking to you, because I'm very concerned about where you are going to go when you die."

Him: "Okay. How do I not go to hell?"

Me: "God made a way for you through his son Jesus Christ. He sent him to die on a cross and take the punishment for our sins. What you have to do is repent of your sins, which means say 'God I have broken your laws please forgive me' and trust in Jesus. It's like this: Lets say you are on a plane 35,000 feet above ground and the flight attendant runs by and says, 'We just lost 2 engines, we're gonna crash!' But, there's a parachute under your seat. Now what would happen if you just sat there and said, 'Wow! I really believe in that parachute with all my heart.' What good is that parachute when you crash?"

Him: "Well, I would die."

Me: "Right! You have to put on the parachute so you would be saved. It's the same way with Jesus. You have to put on Jesus, or you will die and go to hell. Does that make sense?"

Him: "Yes, it does." (he said sincerely)

Me: "Do you have a Bible at home?"

Him: "Yes."

Me: "What version?" (I just wanted to make sure it wasn't a Koran, Book of Mormon, or anything like that.)

Him: "Uhhh... New Testament."

Me: "A good book to start reading is the book of John."

Him: "Okay."

Me: "You really think about what we talked about, okay? 'Cause you don't know when you are going to die, right?"

Him: (thinking) "Yes, I could die five minutes from now."

Me: "That's right. You don't know if a plane would crash into your building right now and then you will have to stand before God. But, you could die 30 years from now. Don't take a chance! You need to repent and accept Jesus because I want to see you in heaven, not hell, okay?"

Him: "Okay."

Me: "Do you have any questions about what we talked about?"

Him: "Yes, how do you know so many things about this at such a small age?"

Me: "Well, my parents believe in the things that I told you and they have taught me them. It is called Christianity."

Then he was very interested in how many siblings I had, ages of them, where my parents worked, and kept asking me questions... until my dad said, "Hey, wrap it up Mary, he might get in trouble!"

So I said, "Well, you have a good day (it was 6:30am there) and I will have a good night (8:30pm here), okay? And you think about what we talked about, okay? Because I don't want you to go to hell."

Him: "Okay. I have really liked talking to you, Mary. Have a good Easter!"

Me: "You too! Goodbye."

Him: "Bye."

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I hope that guy repented and accepted Jesus!!! I was up all night thinking about him and praying for him... please join me in prayer for this man's precious soul!

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 the Way of the Master atheist debate coming up on Nightline. It's an opportunity to reach thousands of people (or more) with the truth.
- "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)

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** (**new**)
May 5th, 4pm to 8:30pm
Sam's Valley Community Church in Central Point. See the [flyer](#) for details.
- **Southern Oregon eXtreme Evangelism '07**
July 27-29
See the [webpage](#) for details.

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