



## Evangelism Update 05-20-07

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### Note From Jim:

Reminder...

### Way of the Master Evangelism Training

*June 2nd, 4pm to 8:30pm*

Rivers of Life Foursquare Church in Grants Pass. See the [flyer](#) for details.

Registration deadline May 30th.

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### Scripture of the Week:

For this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe. (1 Thessalonians 2:13, NASB)

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### Quote of the Week:

"The trouble with people who are not seeking for a Savior, and for salvation, is that they do not understand the nature of sin. It is the peculiar function of the Law to bring such an understanding to a man's mind and conscience. That is why great evangelical preachers 300 years ago in the time of the puritans, and 200 years ago in the time of Whitefield and others, always engaged in what they called a preliminary law work." (Dr. Martin Loyd-Jones)

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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!

[Click here](#) to go to the webpage for more details

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After being kicked out of Eden, Adam woke up hoping the curse was all a bad dream, but then remembered there were no bad dreams before the curse.

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**Recommended Resource:**



After the recent and tragic school shootings in Virginia, Living Waters decided to revive their ["Bullet" tract](#) with new improved artwork. It is shaped like a bullet (printed on cardstock), but when it opens up it is shaped like the two tablets of God's Law. The text reveals the common denominator in school shootings that no one seems to have noticed. The gospel message inside begins:

Experts tell us shooters have this in common — they are people who feel that they can't cope with life's

problems, or they feel under appreciated. Yet who among us doesn't have these feelings at some time? That's life. However, there is one common denominator that the experts don't mention. Each of the shooters had no regard for human life... [More...](#)

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## Questions & Objections:

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

**Q.** If God is a God of love, why hasn't He dealt with evil?

**A.** In Dr. Robert Morey's book *The New Atheism and the Erosion of Freedom*, he talks with an atheist about this issue. The atheist assumes that everything is relative, and there are no absolutes (he is absolutely sure of that). Morey replies that the first thing an atheist must do is prove the existence of evil. By what process can an atheist identify evil? He must have a universal absolute to do so. Without an absolute reference point for "good" (which only God can provide), no one can identify what is good or evil. Thus without the existence of God, there is no "evil" or "good" in an absolute sense. Everything is relative. The problem of evil does not negate the existence of God. It actually requires it.

Many assume that because evil still exists today, God has not dealt with it. How can atheists assume that God has not already solved the problem of evil in such a way that neither His goodness nor omnipotence is limited? On what grounds do they limit what God can and cannot do to solve the problem? God has already solved the problem of evil. And He did it in a way in which He did not contradict His nature or the nature of man. We assume God will solve the problem of evil in one single act. But why can't He deal with evil in a progressive way? Can't He deal with it throughout time as we know it, and then bring it to the climax on the Day of Judgment?

God sent His Son to die on the cross in order to solve the problem of evil. Christ atoned for evil and secured the eventual removal of all evil from the earth. One day evil will be quarantined in one spot called "hell." Then there will be a perfect world devoid of all evil. If God declared that all evil would, at this moment, cease to exist, you and I and all of humanity would go up in a puff of smoke. Divine judgment demands that sin be punished.

By Ron Meade

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## Weekly "Fishing" Report:

Darrin, David and I gathered for street fishing on Saturday. The weather was nice, so we started at Riverside Park. Several people were at the park; gathered at the playground and along the river. The Sons of Thunder motorcycle ministry was also there for an event hosted by SPARC. They had a table or two set up with Bibles and other materials. After dropping in to say hi to a couple of familiar faces, we moved on to sweep through the park and then did a "downtown" pass along 6th Street. A good number of tracts went out and God blessed me with a couple of conversations along the way.

My most memorable witnessing encounter was with Thorn. He was a young man I met on the corner of 6th & G Streets. Since he was waiting for a ride, I asked if he'd do a street interview and it turned into a good one-2-one from there. He was a typical looking highschooler wearing a t-shirt from a popular but dark rock band. However, it was an open door to share ... what else can you expect when someone tells you they were named after the crown of thorns that Jesus wore? This was also one of the few times I had someone ask what had personally brought me to Christ, so after sharing the biblical gospel with him I was able to go back and recap the message -- telling my own experience of being brought to the narrow gate that swings open on the two hinges of repentance and faith. I pray God allows the seed that was sown to find good soil in in this young man.

[Click here](#) for the MP3 audio of the one-2-one.

Greg, Carla and Creighton from the Medford team met at 1:30pm at Food 4 Less on Sunday. Greg says the parking lot was full of people. They stayed for a little over an hour, handing out [Let Freedom Ring](#) tracts and telling people to "have a safe Memorial Day next weekend!" Most people took them. Greg has also told me they have the manager's OK to be there in the parking lot as long as they're giving the tracts to people and not putting them directly on cars. God is so good!

Pray for the seed that was sown. Jesus, may you receive the honor that you're due.

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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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### Prayer Points:

- Pray that God will break your heart for the lost this week.
  - "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**

*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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