



## Evangelism Update 05-27-07

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### Scripture of the Week:

For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him. (1 Thessalonians 2:13, NASB)

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### Quote of the Week:

"We cannot come to Christ to be justified until we have first been to Moses, to be condemned. But once we have gone to Moses, and acknowledged our sin, guilt and condemnation, we must not stay there. We must let Moses send us to Christ." (John R. Stott)



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Southern Oregon eXtreme Evangelism '07:

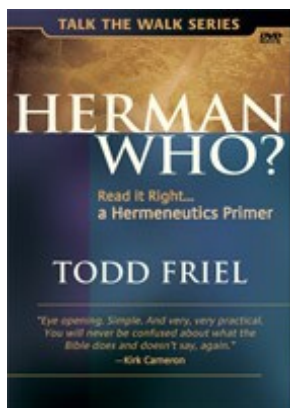


eXtreme Evangelism (XE) is like nothing you've seen before. Forget about dry lectures or workshops on witnessing. XE is a hands-on experience. This is your chance to face your fears and get on the frontlines for Jesus Christ. We'll put legs to The Way of the Master teaching. Prepare to be stretched, 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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#### **Recommended Resource:**



*"Eye opening. Simple. And very, very practical. You will never be confused about what the Bible does and doesn't say, again." (Kirk Cameron)*

#### **Herman Who? (DVD)**

(Message by Todd Friel, 75 minutes)

Ask most Christians what they know about hermeneutics and they will probably ask, "Herman Who?" Spend 75 minutes with us and you will receive a condensed 16-week master's level education on how to read the Bible right. You will never read the Bible the same way again ... and you will never have the wool pulled over your eyes by a false teacher.

Paul told Timothy (and us) to "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." By studying this course, you will be equipped to rightly divide the Word of Truth and read the Bible right.

*Includes the complete updated study guide. Perfect for individual or group study.*

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#### **Questions & Objections:**

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

**Q.** If God is perfect, why did He make an imperfect creation?

**A.** The Bible tells us that the Genesis creation was "good." There was no sin and therefore no suffering or death. Why then did God give Adam and Eve the ability to sin, knowing full well that they would sin and bring death and pain to the human race? Some believe that if Adam had been created without the ability to chose, then he would have been a "robot." A father cannot make his children love him. They choose to love him because they have a free will. Others point out that humanity would never have seen the depth of the love of God, as displayed in the cross, unless Adam had sinned, and that fact could be one reason why God allowed sin to enter the world.

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### Weekly "Fishing" Report:



We had a team of six that met on Saturday. Carla, Tait, Creighton and Greg came up from Medford to join David and me for a tract sweep and witnessing at the Boatnik. It's a big Memorial Day celebration here in Grants Pass with jet boat races, a carnival and other exhibitions throughout the weekend. The group from Medford had to leave a little early, but we fanned out once we got to the park and passed out at least 1,000 gospel tracts while they were there.





This was also my first chance to use our "What If?" sign. It worked well and led to six different one-2-ones or one-2-mores. For the most part I just stayed in one place and people would come and ask about it. I'd answer "What if this was your last day here on earth? What happens after you die?" It would then open up into a conversation and witnessing encounter from there. A few times people said they thought they'd go to heaven, but when I asked "why" they couldn't really articulate a reason. It was a chance to help put the gospel together in a way that made sense.

The young man wearing the tie-dyed shirt in the picture below was a different encounter. His name is Steve, and he told me he'd go to hell. I asked why and he said he was a Jew and that's what Christians thought. I told him it wasn't being a Jew that would send him to hell and asked if I could explain what it was I believed. I took him through sin, righteousness and judgment. When it came to grace, I started back in the Old Testament where God killed the first animal to replace the fig leaves Adam and Eve tried to use to cover themselves after they sinned. I then skipped ahead to Abraham sacrificing Isaac, and how Isaac was spared and a ram was substituted for him. I talked about Passover and how the blood of a lamb on the doorposts meant that death would pass over them. Then we looked at Yom Kippur and how a lamb would be sacrificed each year to cover sins. Finally, we came to John the Baptist pointing to Jesus and saying he was the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the people. We then looked at what happened at the cross. Afterwards, Steve thanked me for talking with him.



Kelly and I took our daughters to Boatnik on Sunday for some family time. While in line at one of the coffee & drink trailers I gave a couple of "What If?" tracts to the girls in front of me. They asked what they were, so I told them I was just challenging people to think. What if this was their last day on earth? What happens after they die? They glanced over the tracts as they paid for their drinks and left.

The lady working in the trailer asked if I was witnessing. I said I was. She told me she'd been starting to share her faith as well, and how she loved watching Kirk Cameron on the Way of the Master. She said she'd recently witnessed to her brother using the law and saw how it made a real difference in making the gospel and grace make sense. I gave her some of the tracts to share with people and my card with our website on it. It was a real encouragement to come across a like mind and spirit there in the midst of things. Adonai is good!



On Monday, Greg did a tract sweep at the Memorial Day parade in White City. He stopped to check out some booths setup in a small park and saw one had a banner that asked "Are you going to Heaven?" Greg got to talking with the two men running the booth and learned they're from a local church. One of them had been trained in biblical evangelism and the Way of the Master, and they were there to share the gospel as well. Praise God!

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.

### Prayer Points:

- Pray for the seed that was sown.
- Pray for the new seed sowers coming to the WotM Trainings being held around the country.
- "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**  
*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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