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## **Evangelism Update 09-09-07**

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### **Note from Jim:**

If you read my Weekly "Fishing" Report in the last newsletter, you should remember my rather strange encounter at the park with a young man named Ashley. I wanted to give you an update as I received an email from him a few days ago.

*Hi,*

*While I stand by the philosophy of my words, I nonetheless offer my apologies for the way they were delivered. Though your actions did lead to great distress in my person, I could really have cut out the vitriol and still made my case. I was in a mood--sorry.*

*I had promised to send you any proof that something in the bible is not true. But on further consideration, I realized that I would be doing the same thing I condemned you for. If you want to research this matter, you know how.*

*We greatly disagree about many things, but at least we are both doing the best we can as people and appreciate the quest for being a better person. Kudos for not getting as upset as I did.*

*Peace to you and yours,*

*Ashley*

I've replied and hope that God may open a door for me to continue to share with him either via email or perhaps we might meet again on the streets. Continue to pray for the Holy Spirit to work on Ashley's heart and lead him into the truth.

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### **Scripture of the Week:**

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. (Galatians, 5:25, NASB)

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### **Quote of the Week:**

"The spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions. The nearer we get to Him, the more intensely missionary we

become." (Henry Martyn)

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**Recommended Resource:**



[FellowshipTractLeague.org](http://FellowshipTractLeague.org)

We just learned about this ministry this weekend. They offer free gospel tracts, and from what I've seen some of them are pretty good.

Check these out...

- [The Ten Commandments](#)
- [God's Last Name is not Damn](#)
- [All This I Did For Thee](#)

They also have some nice tracts to share with: [Mormons](#), [Jehovah's Witnesses](#), [Muslims](#), [Jews](#) and [Native Americans](#).

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**Questions & Objections:**

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

**Q.** Does someone go to hell for committing suicide?

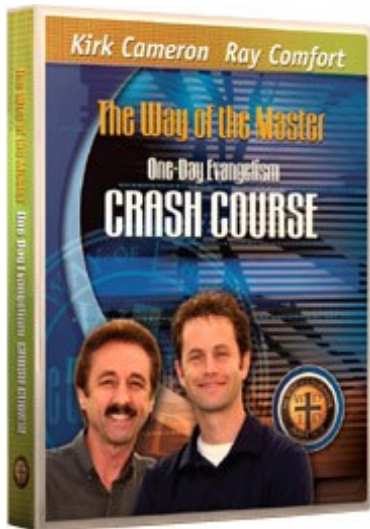
**A.** Those who are adamant that a person who takes his life is committing a mortal sin, and will go to hell, are basing their belief on church doctrine rather than on the Bible. Scripture is silent on the subject. There are no verses that say "He who takes his own life shall be damned." According to Scripture, only one sin does not have forgiveness, and that is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit. That means there is forgiveness for every other sin.

Some quote 1 Corinthians 3:17, which says that God will destroy someone who "defiles" the temple of the Holy Spirit. Yet, there is disagreement about what it means to defile the temple. Does this include suicide? Does it include illicit drug abuse (slow suicide), prescription drug abuse, cigarettes (deliberately breathing in poisons that will eventually kill), tattoos, over-eating (digging a grave with your spoon), or alcohol abuse?

God forbid that we add to the pain of someone who has lost a loved one through the tragedy of suicide, by making a judgment about their eternal destiny. God is the ultimate Judge, and we should therefore leave the issue in His hands. It would be wise to follow the biblical example and not come to any verdict in the case of suicide.

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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:

Saturday was a slower pace; foot traffic on the streets was light and there wasn't as many people at the park. We passed out a number of gospel tracts, but didn't pick up any one-2-ones. However, we discovered something else that was a real encouragement to us. As we made our way along 6th St we found a few different tracts on the sidewalk or in the street. We could tell another group must have been out there sharing the gospel. We picked up a few of the tracts and read them. It was a good solid gospel message, but there was nothing on the tracts to let us know who had given them out. We tucked them in our pockets or Bibles and hoped that God might somehow reveal who these other fishermen were.

When we got to the 7-11 at the corner of 6th & M St, we heard a guy call out "Hey! Are you out sharing the gospel?" The man had a big smile on his face. His name is Donny and he attends the Calvary Chapel church. We've met before and he knows about our street evangelism team. After I introduced him to Darrin and Dave, Donny excitedly told us how a group from his church had gone out Friday night to witness and pass out gospel tracts downtown. We showed him a couple of the tracts we'd found and he confirmed it was them. Praise God as he continues to raise up laborers!



This was one of the tracts we found.  
[Click here](#) to read it online.

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## Prayer Points:

- Pray for the salvation of Jehovah's Witnesses 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).

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

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