



Evangelism Update 09-17-06

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Basic Training Course:



We would be glad to host the eight-session *Way of the Master* Basic Training Course for your church or small group. It's an excellent resource to equip Christians to share their faith simply, effectively; the way Jesus did! All we would need is an investment of your people's time. There is no financial commitment required from you or the church. We just want to help believers overcome their fears and do what our Lord asked us to do; seek and save that which is lost!

More info on the Basic Training Course: <http://www.wayofthemaster.com/btc/>

Scripture of the Week:

"If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple." (Luke 14:26, NASB)

Quote of the Week:

"...we would not see nor realize it (what a distressing and horrible fall in which we lie), if it were not for the Law, and we would have to remain forever lost, if we were not again helped out of it through Christ. Therefore the Law and the Gospel are given to the end that we may learn to know both how guilty we are and to what we should again return." (Martin Luther)

Evangelism Resource:



Way of the Master Radio is a daily broadcast hosted by Todd Friel with frequent "co-hosting" by Ray Comfort or Kirk Cameron. The show touches on issues facing the contemporary church and also allows you to be a "fly on the wall" during live witnessing encounters as they evangelize the lost through the principle of "law to the proud and grace to the humble." Todd's great sense of humor and thorough knowledge of the truth come together to create a truly unique and enjoyable program.

You've never heard anything like this. Click below the visit the website.

<http://www.wayofthemasterradio.com>

Questions & Objections:

Q. Have you ever heard someone say that God gave the Ten Commandments only to Israel? I have no idea of how to refute this when using the Mirror of the Law in witnessing, so I wondered if you had some words of wisdom to offer?

A. I prefer to let scripture speak for itself. Paul refers to the Law when writing his letter to the Romans, and we can see he's referring to the Ten Commandments because Romans 7:7 specifically mentions "you shall not covet." Now, look at these verses...

*For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law; for it is not the hearers of the Law who are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified. **For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them,** on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus. (Romans 2:12-16, NASB, emphasis mine)*

*Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that **every mouth** may be closed and **all the world** may become accountable to God. (Romans 3:19, NASB, emphasis mine)*

Mind you, Paul was speaking to the Greeks when he declared this...

*Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that **all people everywhere** should repent, because He has fixed a day in which **He will judge the world** in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead. (Acts 17:30-31, NASB, emphasis mine)*

Further, when someone cops this excuse during the [Good Person Test](#), I'll say something like... "OK, Joe, lets go to the New Testament and look at some lists of sins the apostle Paul addressed to Gentile churches -- Corinth and Galatia."

*Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; **neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. (1 Corinthians 6:9-10, NASB, emphasis mine)***

*Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: **immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing,** and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. (Galatians 5:19-21, NASB, emphasis mine)*

"Then there's this one, and Revelation was written to seven churches in Asia."

*But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and **murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars**, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. (Revelation 21:8, NASB, emphasis mine)*

"Notice, Joe, how those pretty much reflect and affirm the Ten Commandments?"

Weekly "Fishing" Update:

Mark, Randy, Terri and I met on Saturday. After prayer we headed down 6th Street to catch the groups that were gathering for the Fall Wine Stroll. We used the [Curved Illusion](#) cards to offer "free sobriety tests". People got a kick out of them, and the tracts also put the gospel in their hands.

Mark and I came across a group young people sitting on the benches by the post office. Mark gave out a number of tracts, and I passed out some [NZ Smart Cards](#). When the red squares didn't change colors, I used that to swing into a one-2-eight with a group of them. Afterwards, Mark talked a little with one guy named Billy and learned he had some form of a Christian background. Yet, it was another case where he had some of the puzzle pieces but wasn't bringing them together into a clear picture of the plan of salvation. I pray the Holy Spirit takes what we were able to share and uses it to bring Billy (and the others) safely into the fold.

I've uploaded the MP3 of the one-2-eight to our website. You can find and listen to it on the [audios page](#).

Meanwhile, Randy and Terri were speaking with a girl that called herself "Daemon". She's one of the punks that are starting to haunt 6th Street in growing numbers. They shared as they could, trying to till up the stony ground of her heart. Pray for this girl. Perhaps God will give us other chances to work with and water the seed that was sown.



We made our way down to Riverside Park for the Asian Cultural Festival. Randy and Terri did a tract sweep

through the festival and gave out a hundred or more [Million Dollar Bills](#). They also had a two-2-one with a young man that told them he was a Christian, but didn't even know who Jesus was.

Mark and I made our way to the play ground, where I took the opportunity to preach open air. As I started, there were perhaps eight adults in the area with their kids. However, as I continued more and more people were drawn in. They kept along the back, so they wouldn't be readily noticed but could still hear me. By the end, I'd say there were perhaps twenty or more adults and teens that had heard the message of salvation. Praise God!

I've uploaded the MP3 of this open air to our website. You can find and listen to it on the [audios page](#).

We headed back up 6th and passed through the wine stroll crowd once more, getting laughs with the "free sobriety tests" and passing out tracts. Once back at the cars, we closed in prayer and thanked God for granting us another chance to labor in the fields.



On Sunday, Mark's church hosted a Kids Fest outreach at Riverside Park. Kelly and I took our girls down to see the puppet shows and hear the Emmons Sisters perform. We got there a 1/2 hour early, so I dropped down to find three to four dozen people gathered at the playground. It was the first time Willow and Holly (my girls) got to see their daddy preach open air. I had a semi-heckler. One lady didn't like me being there. However, as I gave out tracts afterwards I had others encourage me and say they appreciated that I pressed on and shared the gospel boldly. I told them to give the praise to God... it's His doing.

The Kids Fest was fun. Mark and I both had a chance to talk with others about the street ministry and encourage them to share their faith. I gave out a number of [NZ Smart Cards](#), along with a few [Hell's Best Kept Secret](#) CDs and flyers for the [Great News Network](#). Pray that our Lord will fan the spark into a flame and raise up more laborers.



Prayer Points:

- Pray for the seed that was sown.
 - Continue to pray for Greg's wife (Patti). She goes in for a biopsy for the lump on her throat on the 25th.
 - "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:

Note: The team will not be meeting for street fishing this coming Saturday (the 23rd).

- **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.
- **[Seed Sowing at Oktoberfest 2006](#)**
Wolf Creek, OR / September 30
Take a "fishing" trip to Wolf Creek and street witness at this popular celebration.
- **[Seed Sowing at Art Along the Rogue](#)**
Grants Pass, OR / October 7
Last year I was able to open air preach to about 300-400 people. Big time fishing opportunity right there are 6th & H St.

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



A **free** one-day event in Sacramento (CA) on October 21st.

Guest Speakers:

- Ray Comfort ([Way of the Master](#))
- Emeal "E.Z." Zwayne ([Living Waters Publications](#))
- Todd Friel ([Way of the Master Radio](#))

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