



## Evangelism Update 10-01-06

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### Note from Jim:

Check out our calendar at the end of the newsletter. In two week (October 14th) we'll be heading to the south side for some street fishing with Greg in Central Point or Medford.

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### Scripture of the Week:

"Jesus called for them, saying, "Permit the children to come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all." (Luke 18:16-17, NASB)

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### Quote of the Week:

In a sermon published way back in 1537, Martin Luther spoke of the Law being used as a schoolmaster the bring sinners to Christ. Listen to his words of warning: "This now is the Christian teaching and preaching, which God be praised, we know and possess, and it is not necessary at present to develop it further, but only to offer the admonition that it be maintained in Christendom with all diligence. For Satan has attacked it hard and strong from the beginning until the present, and gladly would he completely extinguish it and tread it underfoot."

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### Evangelism Resource:



Turn the tables on the enemy this Halloween. Make the most evil night of the year into the most evangelistic. Think about it. Isn't the hardest thing about giving people tracts, having to approach them? On October 31st, the world will come to your property, to your door, and they will gladly take them from your hands. So prepare little

goodie bags with some candy and a fun gospel tract. Put the porch light on, and make sure you take advantage of this God-given opportunity to reach the lost. We have found that the tracts in Living Water's [Halloween Special](#) are very well received.

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### Questions & Objections:

*This O&A come from [The Evidence Bible](#).*

**O.** There is no absolute truth. You can't be sure of anything!

**A.** Those who say that there are no absolutes are often very adamant about their belief. If they say that they are absolutely sure, then they are wrong because their own statement is an absolute. If they are not 100 percent sure, then there is a chance that they are wrong and they are risking their eternal salvation by trusting in a wrong belief. God tells us that there is an objective, absolute truth that is not subject to man's interpretations or whims, on which we can base our eternity. That truth is the Word of God (John 17:7).

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### Weekly "Fishing" Report:

The annual Oktoberfest celebration was being held in Wolf Creek this weekend. Deciding cast our lines where the "fish" would be gathered, Randy, Terri and I piled into a car on Saturday and headed up to the festival.



Randy's "Name Ten Get \$20" shirt lead him and Terri into a couple of one-2-ones. The first was with a young man named David who named eight of the Ten Commandments. His dad was an Adventist preacher, but David was pretty mired in the post-modern mindset and didn't believe the Word of God was credible. He even said that he'd accept hell if that was his fate. Randy tells me it really boiled down to the fact that David didn't want to give up his sin. Sadly, his pride kept him from hearing the grace in the gospel.



Randy's second witnessing encounter was with Richard. He claimed to be a Christian, but declined to take the "Name Ten Get \$20" challenge. Richard spent a lot of time dancing around his personal definitions of lying, stealing, blasphemy or lust being adultery. He wasn't attending a church, but said he got together with a group of friends to discuss the Bible. He seemed to have a grasp on what repentance and faith mean and understood what Christ did for us. After they were finished talking, Randy says he saw some conviction in Richard's over what he'd heard.



The [Million Dollar Bills](#) were a big hit. We gave out 200 to 300 gospel tracts between the three of us. We also met some other Christians that had merchant booths there. They encouraged us in what we were doing and we got to share our ministry and some [Hell's Best Kept Secret](#) CDs with them.



As we were getting ready to leave, I noticed four local teens hanging out with their bikes and skateboards under a bridge. I dropped down and got into a one-2-four with them. I started by asking them what the most important thing in life was to them right now. I followed that by asking how that would change or what would be the most important thing to them on they day they die. Their answers changed from "graduating highschool" or "living life to its fullest" to being around family or with those they loved. I then asked them what they thought happens after we die. A couple of them said we go to heaven, and one of them said if you don't go to heaven you go to hell. I asked him what decides who goes to heaven and who goes to hell? He said it depends on how you live your life. His friends agreed with him, that good people go to heaven and bad people go to hell. I pulled out some [Ten Commandment Coins](#) and we took a look into the Mirror of the Law. They got to see their sin for what it was and recognized what that would mean at judgment. They admitted their concern and when I revealed the cross, it made sense to them.



Here's the really cool thing! You can see in the picture above, we were right along the side of the road. A few cars passed us as we talked, and yet rather than get distracted the four of them gave me their full attention. We talked for close to 20 minutes about sin, righteousness, judgment and grace. I find time and time again, unlike what you'd expect with teens today, when you share it in a way that makes sense ... they're willing to talk about the things of God.

Praise God for another blessed chance to labor in the fields! Pray for the seed that was sown and that our precious Savior receives the reward of His suffering.

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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/>

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## Prayer Points:

- Mark had a relapse with the sinus and ear problem that's been plaguing him. Please pray for relief and recovery.
  - Greg and Patti are still waiting in the results of her biopsy. Please keep them in prayer.
  - "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.
- **[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.
- **South Side Seed Sowing**  
*Central Point or Medford, OR / October 14th*  
We're going to head down the I-5 and join Greg for some street fishing in his neck of the woods.
- **Seed Sowing at Rocky Horror Picture Show**  
*Grants Pass, OR / October 28 (8pm - Rogue Theater)*  
The 500 seats are expected to be sold-out for this raunchy, worldly, cross-dressing feature. After our usual street fishing time, we'll regroup for some solid prayer and head over to be outside as people begin to arrive.

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](#))

Click the link below for details or to register on-line.

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