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Note from Jim:

"This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil." (John 3:19)



This is a poster we found in a store front window on 6th Street. While Grants Pass is being invited to embrace their "dark side" we have a call from our Lord to bring Light and Life to this city. We invite you to join us in taking the gospel to the streets. Even if you think you may be ready to actually talk to people, we can always use prayer support and welcome you to stand by and for us.

Scripture of the Week:

... yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach -- if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister. (Colossians 1:22-23)

Quote of the Week:

"Sympathy is no substitute for action." (David Livingstone)



Recommended Resource:



"and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8:32)

SettingCaptivesFree.com

Interactive, accountability-based courses online now!

- The Way of Purity – Sexual Impurity/Pornography
- A United Front – For Spouses
- Purity Challenge – Maintaining Teen Purity
- The Lord's Table – Food/Weight Issues
- Door of Hope – Homosexuality
- Breath of Life – Smoking/Tobacco
- New Wine – Drunkenness/Drugs
- Higher Stakes – Gambling/Greed

Follow-up courses include: The Cross: Finding Life in Jesus' Death, Philemon, and Ruth

Some courses available in multiple languages.

Questions & Objections:

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

Q. Is "hell-fire" preaching effective?

A. Preaching the reality of hell, without using the Law to bring the knowledge of sin, can do a great deal of damage to the cause of the gospel. A sinner cannot conceive of the thought that God would send anyone to hell, as long as he is deceived into thinking that God's standard of righteousness is the same as his. Paul "reasoned" with Felix regarding righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come (Acts 24:25). This is the righteousness that is of the Law and judgment by the Law. Felix "trembled" because he suddenly understood that his intemperance made him a guilty sinner in the sight of a holy God. The reality of hell suddenly became reasonable to him when the Law was used to bring the knowledge of sin.

Imagine if the police burst into your home, arrested you, and shouted, "You are going away for a long time!" Such conduct would probably leave you bewildered and angry. What they have done seems unreasonable. However, imagine if the law burst into your home and instead told you specifically why you were in trouble: "We have discovered 10,000 marijuana plants growing in your back yard. You are going away for a long time!" At least then you would understand why you are in trouble. Knowledge of the law you have transgressed furnished you with that understanding. It makes judgment reasonable.

Hell-fire preaching without use of the Law to show the sinner why God is angry with him will more than likely leave him bewildered and angry -- for what he considers unreasonable punishment.

Weekly "Fishing" Report:



The "Art Along the Rogue" celebration was being held on Saturday. It's an annual event when they block off a portion of H St where people can do chalk art on the street and bands perform on stage. A lot of people gather there and in past years we've hit it to do tract sweeps and some open air preaching. This time the foot traffic at the street corners wasn't conducive for an open air but Dave, Darrin and I still made a sweep through the area and gave out between 200 to 300 gospel tracts.

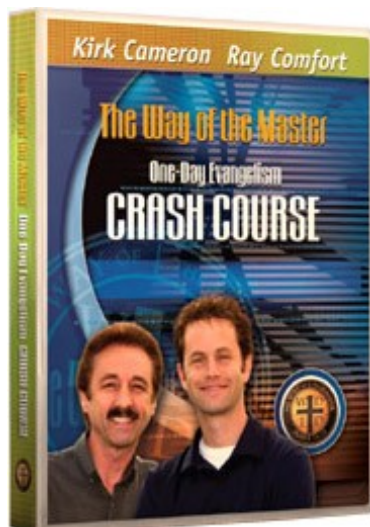


We also made our usual passes through the downtown area where God further blessed me with a couple of witnessing encounters. The most memorable was with six teen boys. The main three I talked with were named Jacob, Jeremiah and Matthew. Bible names ... go figure. It started with me giving them a [What If?](#) card. They asked what it was, so I said the big question was on the back. What if this was your last day on earth? Where will you go when you die? They gave a couple of goofy responses, but Jacob said he'd go to heaven. When I asked why, he said because he deserves to. It was a perfect opening to [The Good Person Test](#). I reasoned with them for the next few minutes about sin, righteousness, judgment and God's grace in the cross. It was amazing to see how receptive these guys were as they listened. Afterwards, Jacob said "Thanks. This helped me a lot." I offered him a Gospel of John and the others asked for one too. Jeremiah asked where I go to church. I told him and he said "Man! I want to go to that church." They'd heard the truth and at least knew it for what it was. Praise God!

[Click here](#) for the MP3 audio of the encounter.

Pray for the seed that was sown. May the Lamb of God receive the glory He is due!

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 favor with the authorities as the gospel is preached around the world 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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