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## Evangelism Update 11-04-07

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### Note from Jim:

The team won't be meeting for street fishing on Saturday. I'm taking my girls down to see our family in Arizona this coming weekend.

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### Scripture of the Week:

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

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### Quote of the Week:

"Missionary zeal does not grow out of intellectual beliefs, nor out of theological arguments, but out of love." (Roland Allen)

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### Recommended Resource:

Time to start thinking about some gospel tracts for this coming Christmas season.



This tract is available through [OneMillionTracts.com](http://OneMillionTracts.com).

Tract Text: The cheerful "Merry Christmas" of yesteryear is slowly being replaced by the politically correct "Happy Holidays." Not only is Christ not at the center of the celebration, He isn't even considered to be a reason for the season! If we seem upset about the changes that are taking place in regard to Christmas, it's because we are! It's not because an old tradition is being changed. No, we are upset that the virgin birth of our Savior (the event that made it possible for us to have eternal life) is being hidden from view with decorations, wrapping paper, parties, and political correctness! You see, it's worth celebrating that Jesus came to earth - His birth signaled hope for all mankind. He lived a perfect life before God and mankind, and He showed us that He truly was God's Son. And by giving up His life on a cross, He took our punishment, paying the fine for our sins. He then rose from the grave and defeated death. All we have to do is to repent from our sins and place our faith and trust in Him. Join us this year in celebrating *CHRISTmas* like you've never celebrated it before! Please Visit [www.YouGotOurTract.com](http://www.YouGotOurTract.com)



'In Sunday school, we learned how Adam's sin brought the Curse and was the start of all the suffering in this world. This morning, I woke up with some of the Curse in my nose.'

#### Questions & Objections:

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

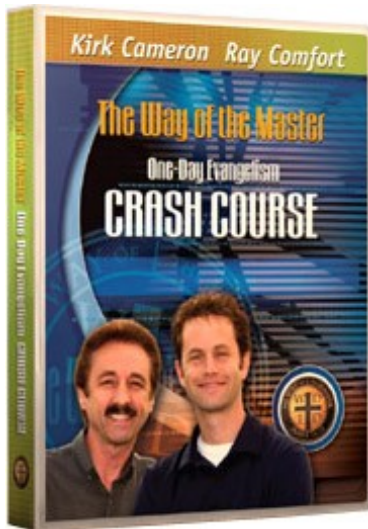
**O.** The church is full of hypocrites.

**A.** Hypocrites may show up at a church building every Sunday, but there are no hypocrites in the Church (Christ's body). Hypocrite comes from the Greek word for "actor," or pretender. Hypocrisy is "the practice of professing beliefs, feelings, or virtues that one does not hold."

The Church is made up of true believers; hypocrites are "pretenders" who sit among God's people. God knows those who love Him, and the Bible warns that He will sort out the true converts from the false on the Day of Judgment. All hypocrites will end up in hell (Matthew 24:51).

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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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## Prayer Points:

- Pray for Todd Friel, host of Way of the Master Radio, 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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## Weekly "Fishing" Report:

We set up a table out front of our home on Halloween night as an outreach. Our team had prepared 500 goodie-bags for the kids with candy and a [Creepy Cash](#) gospel tract in them. We also offered coffee or cocoa plus a [Jumbo \\$10-Million](#) tract for the adults. When the trick-or-treating traffic started to diminish, Dave and I grabbed a few hundred of the goodie-bags and dropped down to tract sweep the big harvest festival being held at River Valley Church. By the end of the night, all 500 bags with tracts had been given out. Praise God for a chance to

shine the Light of the Gospel into the dark night of the year.

Kathleen joined Dave, Darrin and me for street fishing on Saturday. We started with prayer and then headed over to 6th Street. A few people were gathered near the post office and we stopped to give out tracts and some New Testaments that Kathleen had brought with her. She and I also had a chance to talk with a woman named Christie. Christie was homeless and in a pretty rough spot in her life. She appeared to be intoxicated, but we did what we could to share the gospel with her. Though I'm not sure how much of what was said really sank in, she took a Gospel of John and a tract that will recap the gospel message. Now it's between her and the Holy Spirit.



**A young man was killed in the walkway beside the post office where we regularly witness.**

The picture above is of a cross that has been placed where a young man was killed in the walkway beside the post office where we often witness and talk to the street kids that hang out there. Here's an [article in the Medford Mail Tribune](#) about his death. It really makes you stop and think. How long do you really have to share the gospel with someone? How many times do you really get to come across their path and share God's plan of salvation before they've passed from this life and into eternity? This life is like a vapor, here today and gone tomorrow. Lord give us compassion and a sense of urgency to keep pushing the plow and focus on the task at hand.

I was looking at the witnessing audios on my website and found that I had a chance to share the gospel with Wayne. I don't know where he stood with God at the time of his death, but I'm glad to know God at least gave me the chance to share the message of salvation with this man.

[Click here](#) for the audio.

We continued down 6th Street to Riverside park where we picked up a few more one-2-ones. I met Jeff, a non-practicing Catholic, and was able to share the gospel with him. After that I came across Thomas and his young son Caleb. Thomas is a professing Christian but he hasn't yet found a home church since moving to Grants Pass. I asked him why he would be going to heaven and he answered because he's a good person and has lead a moral life. I then took him through [The Good Person Test](#) to put the puzzle pieces together and help him understand God's plan of salvation. You don't go to heaven because you're a good person (you're not), you get to go to heaven even though you're a bad person because through Christ you can be forgiven by a very good God. Meanwhile, Dave and Kathleen were talking with Jim, an older gentleman that Dave has witnessed to at least twice before. It's wonderful that God keeps allowing these chances to follow-up with Jim and it's our hope that the Holy Spirit will be doing a work in this man's life.



**Dave and Kathleen share with a gentleman at the park.**

Click the links below for MP3 audios of a couple of the witnessing encounters:

- [Jeff One-2-One](#)
- [Thomas One-2-One](#)

We then headed back up 6th Street and passed out some more tracts. At the Dutch Bros coffee hut, we met Pastor Gene Anderson and a group from the House of Prayer. They were doing some street fishing of their own, so we shared some hugs and encouragement. It's such a blessing to meet other people with a heart for reaching out on the streets. Our team then headed back to our cars and closed in prayer.

Pray for the seed that was sown. Jesus, may You receive the honor that You are due.

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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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