



Evangelism Update 12-10-06

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Note from Jim:

Our next Way of the Master Evangelism Training will be on Saturday, January 6th, 4pm - 8:30pm. We will be in the youth building at the Rivers of Life Foursquare Church (450 SW "J" Street, Grants Pass, OR). You're invited! If you know someone who may be interested, please tell them about it.

RSVP Deadline: Wednesday, January 3rd

[Click here for the flyer](#) and more details.

Scripture of the Week:

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:10-11, NASB)

Quote of the Week:

"Christ died for you; therefore die to sin." - John Wesley

Evangelism Resource:



What is Christmas all about? Linus got it right! Check out this video clip from *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, and then share it with others.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5TF4U36GFg>

Questions & Objections:

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

O. The Bible has changed down through the ages.

A. No, it hasn't. God has preserved His Word. In the spring of 1947, the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. These manuscripts were copies of large portions of the Old Testament, a thousand years older than any other existing copies. Study of the scrolls has revealed that the Bible hasn't changed in content down through the ages as many skeptics had surmised.

Anyone can now obtain access to computer programs that give the original Hebrew and Greek words, and the only "changes" have been made for clarity. For example, the old English translation of 2 Corinthians 12:8 is "For this thing I besought the Lord thrice ...," while a contemporary translation is "Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times..."

Weekly "Fishing" Report:

David and I hit the streets on Saturday. We started by making a pass on 6th Street, giving out [Christmas Cash](#) and some candy cane tracts an anonymous person generously donated to us. In the course of things, we came across a young homeless man with a nice looking sign on his bike that read "The King is born, His name is Yehoshua. (Matthew 1:18-25)" He wasn't much for talking with us, but I've bought him a coffee once or twice and shared a couple of tracts with him in the past. This time I happened to have an extra bag of chips that I was able to give him. It wasn't much, but at least it was a little something. We let him know we liked the sign and encouraged him before heading on our way.

As we made our loop, we came across Dennis and a friend outside one of the "head shops" on 6th Street. He is one of the street kids that actually won the \$20 in our *Name Ten Get \$20* challenge by memorizing the Ten Commandments. I used that as an icebreaker to start up a conversation. Dennis is still lost, but I take the opportunity to touch bases and recap whenever I come across him. This time things lead into a one-2-one with his friend. We started by talking about why we were given the Ten Commandments in the first place. I pointed out that Paul said they were our schoolmaster and James said they were a mirror. I then took her through the good person test to show her what I mean. She recognized she'd be guilty on judgment day, but claimed that didn't concern her. She believed in a "higher power" but not the God of the Bible. We talked about it more and she understood what I was sharing, but she wouldn't come to a point where grace would mean something to her

if I shared it (Matthew 7:6). In the end, I left her with a "[Ten Things God Can't Do](#)" tract. It's in God's hands now and we pray the Holy Spirit will continue to work on her.



Christmas message that a homeless man displayed on his bike.

David and I then headed over to make a tract sweep at the Walmart parking lot. It's very busy this time of year and makes a great fishing hole. However, I noticed there was a number of young people at the skate park on M Street as we passed. I turned the car around and we stopped off to preach the gospel open air there for a few minutes and gave several of the teens "[Ten Things God Can't Do](#)" tracts afterwards. We then scooted over to Walmart. By the end of the night around 250 people had the gospel message in hand. Praise God!



Lighted Christmas Mural outside River Valley Church

Pray for the seed that was sown. Jesus, may you receive the honor that you're due.

One-Day Way of the Master Training:



The GNN Southern Oregon Team 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 empower people to reach out to the lost while helping them to come to a full understanding of *all* good things they have in Christ Jesus (Philemon 1:6). We will quickly equip those who attend to effectively share their faith. 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:

- Greg's wife Patti is having surgery this Wednesday to remove the tumor in her neck and part of her thyroid. Please keep them in your prayers.
 - "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.
- **[Way of the Master Evangelism Training](#)**
Grants Pass / January 6th
Click the link above for more details.

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

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