

BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....” John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK



Mexico | Steve & Debbie Poston

PRAISE - Debbie has been able to establish a solid friendship with our neighbor Claudia as she ministers to her in the Scriptures each week. Apart from that she participates in a weekly online Bible study with the women of our previous church.

PRAY - We are working to raise funds as well as encourage some faithful churches to partner with us in building a new orphanage. We need able bodied people to help us in the construction process. Please pray that God would provide!



Handout: 09/12/21

Study: 09/19/21

Rescue The Perishing

What is the greatest obstacle to evangelism today? Some may think that it is fear of how others will respond, or a feeling of being unqualified to answer the questions of friends who do not believe in Jesus.

I believe the reason goes deeper than that.

In North America, we have a society of people who generally have a sense of sufficiency in themselves. People do not feel a need for a relationship with God. They feel that they are getting along all right on their own, so they see no need for salvation.

We also have a culture where, if people do believe in God, they tend to fashion Him in their own image—with all of their human limitations. Everyone thus determines what they want to believe. Nothing is nailed down; people set their own standard of value, and truth becomes relative. Tolerance becomes the great virtue of society, and claims of authority based on the Word of God can make one look like a bigot.

And it is not just “the world” that thinks like this. Christians, too, have become creatures of our culture. Instead of changing the culture as the Gospel does, we have allowed the culture to change us.

The situation may look bleak, but God is never defeated. The Gospel of the Kingdom will reach the ends of the earth. That is absolutely certain, because God said it (Matthew 24:14). And God’s nature is such that His love cannot be self-contained; it must flow to others. He made humans in His image so they could know Him and reciprocate in love to Him.

Evangelism is making known the truth that God loves us. Our rebellion did not change His love for us. God is just and holy, and our sin brought judgment. But in the infinite love of God, He was willing to bear that judgment for us. This is the central focus of the Gospel, that Jesus died for our sins and rose again so we could have eternal life. And when we repent—or turn away from our sins—and receive God’s grace through faith, our lives are transformed.

As God’s love overflows in our hearts, the result is evangelism. When we realize the reality of the cross in our lives, we experience a compulsion to make the Gospel known. We understand that the Gospel is the only hope for the world, and as we share it, we gain a sense that we are fulfilling our destiny. Engaging in evangelism, we realize that we are doing what God made us to do.

Source: “The Only Hope for a Perishing World” by Robert Coleman

KEY VERSE

Jude 23 (NKJV)

“but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.”

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Jude 22; Matthew 9:36; Matthew 7:12; Mark 12:31b

Love People

1. What do today’s Bible verses tell us about loving people?
2. If you were unsaved how would you want someone to declare the Gospel to you?

Tuesday: Jude 23a; Proverbs 11:30; Ezekiel 33:7-9

Win Souls

3. Who at Capital has the responsibility to be a soul winner? What is your responsibility in this area?
4. What opportunities do you have to declare the Gospel?

Wednesday: Jude 23a; Luke 16:22-28; Matthew 25:41,46

Remember The Torment Of Hell

5. What do we learn about Hell from today’s Scripture reading?
6. How should the reality of hell impact our desire to declare the Gospel?

Thursday: Jude 23b; II Chronicles 16:9a; John 15:3

Live Pure

7. Do you agree with the following statement, why or why not?
“God will not take the pure water of life to thirsty souls in dirty vessels.”
8. How does purity affect your relationship with God?
9. How does purity affect your relationship with people?

Friday: Jude 23b; Psalm 97:10a; II Timothy 2:20-22

Love God And Hate Sin

10. How is your love for God demonstrated?
11. List some reasons why you love God.
12. What is your tolerance level for sin? Do you hate it or do you play with it?