

## Chapter 1 : Christian Evangelism Reaching The Lost

*Bible verses related to Winning Souls For Christ from the King James Version (KJV) by Relevance - Sort By Book Order*  
*1 Corinthians - For though I be free from all [men], yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.*

How can I gain a passion for winning souls? Winning souls is, essentially, the process of evangelizing or witnessing, which is simply communicating the message of salvation to unbelievers. As our Father in heaven does not want anyone to perish 2 Peter 3: Witnessing, however, is less about what we do for the Lord as it is about what He does through us, and this requires a surrendered heart filled with the Holy Spirit. Indeed, the same Holy Spirit who empowered Christ while He was ministering on earth can empower us as well. First, however, we need to understand our role in building the body of Christ. One will plow the soil, another may plant the seed, and another laborer will water it, but only God can make that seed grow 1 Corinthians 3: Thus, even though we each may have individual roles, we nonetheless have a unified purpose of winning others to Christ, for which everyone will receive his own reward according to his own labor 1 Corinthians 3: But how can we gain a passion for spreading this good news and winning souls to Christ in these difficult days when there are so many who oppose our work every step of the way? It starts by having Jesus Christ front and center in our own lives. Indeed, our passion for winning souls will increase as our passion for Christ Himself and our walk with Him become stronger. Two of the best ways to strengthen our Christian walk are to read His Word daily and to pray continually. The most enthusiastic laborers are those who have a heart that is on fire for Christ, and this should actually be easy when we consider the magnitude of what our sinless Savior did for us at Calvary. His willing acceptance of death on our behalf cured us from our terminal disease sin and saved us from an unfathomable eternity in the lake of fire. Yet we know what happens to those who die apart from Christ. Once we cross the eternal horizon, there is no going back, and the time for winning souls will be over. Thus, not only is the harvest great and the workers few, but, on top of this, our time is very limited. The lost souls around us can find this same comfort when they put their faith in Christ. And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? The peace of God, which transcends all understanding and guards our hearts during these difficult times Philippians 4: There can be no better calling than working on behalf of the One who died so that we may live. Clearly, then, our love for Him is best exemplified when we passionately and tirelessly work to share His gospel with others.

## Chapter 2 : How can I gain a passion for winning souls?

*Winning souls through crusades and conferences Reaching out to all with love through praying and supporting patients in hospitals, Orphanages and upcountry calendrierdelascience.com offer items like shoes, soap, sugar, scholastic materials etc to God's people.*

Simple Presentation of the Gospel We have learned that the messenger of the gospel must first be saved, and filled with the Holy Spirit. This is essential in winning others to the Savior. How do we effectively present the good news to those who are unsaved? You may be surprised to know that the same order of presentation can be used effectively when witnessing to adults as well. Show him that he is guilty of sin. He deserves to die. One day he will be judged by the Lord. He cannot save himself by good works. Here you put your memory verses to work. He is the Savior of those who believe in Him. Ask Jesus to come into his heart. Once you have learned the ABCs use them in sharing the gospel of Christ. You might use the 3 Rs in your witness for the Lord. This means that we acknowledge our sin, and turn to the Lord. An Equation of Salvation People consider mathematics an exact science, so the following equation may be helpful in presenting the gospel in no uncertain terms. The equation of salvation is based upon the truth of Ephesians 2: Ask the other person to solve the following math problem. Obviously the correct answer is 4. You might ask the person if they are sure that 4 is the right answer. It will look like this: It is the test of the gospel. Do you remember Romans Next rewrite the equation. Again, the correct answer is 4. Now look at Ephesians 2: How do we write this verse in equation form? When we are saved we are "created in Christ Jesus for good works. They are the result of our salvation, demonstrating the reality of our faith in Jesus. Faith is the root; works are the fruit. The gospel of Christ is not good news of a "hope so" salvation. The salvation that Jesus has made available to us is a sure salvation. It is as sure as the promises of God. The Simple Truth of John 3: There are times when John 3: But God solved the problem of our sins in giving His Son, the Lord Jesus, to die on the cross for our sins. Whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life. Be on Target Whenever you witness to others, regardless which presentation you use, always aim for the heart. Witnessing for Christ is more than sharing information. The apostle Paul went beyond the impartation of truth. He did more than announce the message. To the Corinthian church he wrote, "We persuade men. The target is the heart. Stick to the truth of the gospel. It is so easy to get caught up in speaking about something else. After you have clearly presented the message, ask for a response, saying, "Would you like to receive the Lord Jesus as your Savior? You can pray after me. The Holy Spirit is the driving force behind your gospel arrow as you aim for the heart. Depend upon the Spirit of God in your endeavor to win souls for the Lord. May it be said of your gospel witness that it was done "not in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance.

**Chapter 3 : How can I become more motivated for soul winning?**

*Indeed, our passion for winning souls will increase as our passion for Christ Himself and our walk with Him become stronger. Two of the best ways to strengthen our Christian walk are to read His Word daily and to pray continually.*

Stewart "And how shall they preach, except they be sent? What is meant by the term "soulwinning? We read in Romans 1: Now, it is ok to use various methods of presenting the Gospel; BUT, we must never stray away from the fundamental Biblical truth that it is the Gospel that saves, not our eloquent words. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: What a wonderful truth! Perhaps you are afraid and think you cannot be a soulwinner. Just keep in mind that the Gospel is the message, and the Lord is with you to strengthen you. This is all we need to win people to Christ. You just need to tell people how you got saved, and give them an opportunity to do the same, and trust the Holy Spirit to do the rest. Winning Religious People to Christ The hardest part about getting people saved is getting them lost. We read in Proverb But it is extremely difficult to convince people that their false religion is of the Devil. So many people are stubborn, indoctrinated in their false religion. It is very difficult to win Catholics to the Lord, because they are brainwashed with the traditions of men. Jesus clearly warned in Mark 7: Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition. It is important to show lost sinners that religion is very different from trusting upon the Lord for salvation. One can easily have religion without truth, and churchianity without Christianity. I once witnessed to a Catholic gentleman, who after claiming to trust Christ as his personal Savior, said he could never forsake the damnable teachings of the Catholic Church. Let me make clear my friend, that no one who trusts in the Catholic Church, the keeping of the sacraments, the confessional booth, the praying of the Rosary, or good works self-righteousness will ever go to Heaven. The whole purpose for Christ paying for our sins was because we could not save ourselves. We are utterly helpless to save ourselves, or even to assist in any way. ANY attempt to impress God and earn a right to enter Heaven will send a person straight to Hell when they die. Not one verse in the entire Bible requires a person to do good works to enter Heaven. How to Directly Present the Gospel This is where you simply walk up to a complete stranger and witness to them. There are MANY introduction lines you can make. Of course, it is always a good idea to start with your name, your purpose for being there, and that you are a Christian. If I were waiting for a train, at a train depot. I would introduce myself in the following way I am a Christian, and I like to share my faith in Christ with others. The Holy Spirit can use that for His glory. Others may curse you. BUT, some will listen, or will share their faith in the Lord with you as well. Yes, Jesus said He would go with us; but He also gave us a mind to think. There is a fine line between faith and foolishness. Never knowingly place yourself in harms way. This is good sense. We meet many people every day, as we go about our daily schedule. These are wonderful opportunities to share our faith in Christ with others. Street preaching is a great way to directly present the Gospel to large crowds. However, for those new believers who may be afraid to witness in such an aggressive manner, there are many helpful alternatives. One method I prefer is to talk with people about world events, or recent news events. As you progress through the conversation, at some point interject a statement about God. Oftentimes, people will agree with such a statement, and then you can guide the conversation along from there, with a Gospel presentation as the goal. However, there are some people who love to debate. They have no intentions of getting saved, and only want to argue for the sport of it. Please keep in mind that most people in this world have never heard the Gospel. Why spend all of our soulwinning time debating with one stubborn person? We must use our time wisely. The Apostle Paul said in Titus 3: Some conversations can shed more heat than light, and are best kept short. If you discern that a person is not interested in getting saved, then politely end the conversation. I am more direct nowadays, as an older believer. I tell such people outright that they have a right to believe whatever they want; but I respectfully totally disagree, and there is no need for any further discussion, since we are both adamant in our beliefs. Also, I often lay Gospel tracts down as I walk through stores. I was at a store in a mall this week, buying some candy with my kids. As I was about to leave, I laid a Gospel tract on her counter. The tract was titled, "Eternal Life is a Free Gift. You might want to be careful with this method though, because some people go nuts when it comes to their cars. Tracts can be left in public

restrooms, phone booths, on bus seats--just about anywhere! That Gospel tract may be the seed that one day springs forth into a new birth in Christ. The very moment that you place your trust in Jesus, in the Gospel, you are forever saved!!! You have eternal life!!! Salvation is as simple as this: We are Hell-deserving sinners, and Jesus is the Savior. It is because of our own sins that we need salvation. However, none of these things can take our sins away. Only through Christ, by the precious blood that He shed, can our sins be taken away. Soulwinning Efforts are Never in Vain! The Bible teaches that those who plant seeds will receive an equal reward, to those who actually have the privilege of leading that soul to Christ down the road. If God is going to hold us accountable for every idle word spoken, then you can count on it that He will reward us for even the most seemingly insignificant acts of faith.

**Chapter 4 : 16 Bible verses about Soul Winners**

*Bible verses about Winning Souls For Christ. Ezekiel ESV / 43 helpful votes Helpful Not Helpful. Again, if a righteous person turns from his righteousness and commits injustice, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die.*

Stewart "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise. Jesus commanded His disciples in Matthew Most Christians claim to believe in eternal damnation for the lost, yet there are so few soulwinners today. The Bible tells us why. There are FOUR results mentioned: This is seen in Luke 8: Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian. Carefully notice the phrase This group is not saved. Some seeds fall upon the rocks and begin to sprout, but are quickly uprooted because they have no roots. This is seen in Mark 4: These believers are worldly--they listen to Christian rock, see nothing wrong with Harry Potter, are gay-tolerant, see no harm with women wearing pants, etc. We read in 2nd Timothy 3: They rarely, if ever, share the Gospel with anyone. Some seeds fall upon the ground and begin to sprout, but are choked by weeds and never grow to produce any fruit. These are the believers who are sitting-on-the-premises, rather than standing-on-the-promises. Meanwhile, the world is going to Hell, literally. These believers are materialistic, and are mostly interested in protecting their personal interests. Most believers have never even tried to share the Gospel, let alone winning someone to the Lord. We are told in Daniel All that will matter when we die is that we died in the Lord i. Jesus said to His disciples in Matthew 9: Preachers are dime a dozen nowadays, but men of God who genuinely burn with desire to see lost souls saved are becoming rare. How Beautiful are the Feet Confrontational Soulwinning We need a whole new breed of Christians in America, who are once again willing to be persecuted for their zealous soulwinning efforts, as was the church in Acts. The lord invited many friends and noble guests to the wedding; but none of them came. So the lord told his servants If Jesus had not confronted the woman at the well in John 4, she never would have been saved. If Philip had not confronted the Ethiopian eunuch, then the man would likely never have been saved. Only God knows how many tens-of-millions of people will burn in Hell someday because of lazy and cowardly believers who looked for excuses not to be soul-winners. The life you live is enough to make the lost want want you have. Schuller is foolish to say such nonsense. Schuller is correct, then why did Jesus commission his disciples to make disciples of others, and teach them to become soulwinners also, and so forth. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: Some believers have fallen prey to the false doctrine of Calvinism , which teaches Irresistible Grace, i. Nothing could be further from the truth. Jesus said in John 8: The truth is that Calvinism is false doctrine. Anybody can be saved if they want to be John 5: As a result, many people have knowledge of religion; but no personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We can save nobody, not even ourselves. Salvation is of God, not men. So when you present the Gospel to lost sinners, make sure to tell them that Salvation is of God, and that you cannot save them, nor they them self, nor any Catholic priest. If an unsaved person refuses to receive Christ as Savior after hearing the Gospel, then no amount of effort on our part is going to win them. If they ever get saved, it will be because they obeyed the Gospel alone Having laid the introduction, I would now like to teach you how to win a soul to Christ. How to Present the Gospel Some people are not very good with their words, or are afraid. The best way to overcome these obstacles is to just get out there and go soulwinning. Why practice when you can learn from hands-on-experience? We ought to let the Samaritan woman in John 4 be our mentor. All she did was tell others what Jesus did for her, and ask them to come find out for themselves Then they went out of the city, and came unto him. I know from personal experience. There are many people out there, on the verge of suicide, or tired of life, or just lonely for someone to care about them, and they are RIPE as Jesus said for the harvest When we go soul-winning, we are bringing the Truth to them! Personally, I think wearing white shirts, ties, and looking like a salesman is a very bad idea. I think it would be much more appropriate to dress and act like Andy Griffin. Here are the basic 4 points that a person needs to realize to be saved: I Am a Sinner. This is the first thing that a person must realize to be saved. Many people today refuse to confess the sins in their life to God. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. I Deserve to Go to Hell. Please understand that spiritual

death and the second death are not the same. The second death is Gehenna, i. All those who die in their sins, without being born again, will be arraigned, prosecuted, and sentenced at The Great White Throne of Judgment and then cast into the Lake of Fire forever. Jesus paid a debt He did not owe, because we owed a debt we could not pay. Jesus, who knew no sin, became as sin, that we who knew no righteousness could be made the righteousness of God 2nd Corinthians 5: Jesus literally took our sins upon Himself, and imputed His righteousness to our record. Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. It boils down to this: Jesus said in John 6: In fact, many Christians misunderstand Ezekiel For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

## Chapter 5 : How to Win a Soul to Christ

*Keep a little prayer list, and pray for an opportunity of reaching these souls for Christ. An old song says, "Lord, lay some soul upon my heart and love that soul through me; / And may I humbly do my part to win that soul to Thee."*

If you are a real Christian you are commanded to try to get souls saved and keep them saved. Reaching the lost applies to all Christians with no exceptions. In other words, from the poorest to the richest, from the least educated to the highest educated, both males and females are to spread the plan of salvation to others. This should be done both by verbally witnessing and using sound gospel tracts. Click here for information on tract evangelism. Not everyone will accept the truth from you as you try to convince people to turn from their sins and place their faith in the Lord Jesus. Not everyone listened to Jesus and the Apostles when they witnessed and not everyone will accept the truth from you either. Sometimes it takes years for the gospel seed to bring forth fruit. The two main weapons the devil will use against Christian soul winners are discouragement and fear. Resist both just like a sinful temptation. They are designed by the devil, your enemy, to stop you from obeying God in this vital area. When people reject you and the gospel, they are really rejecting the Lord and the heavenly father. He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me. Hence, they are really rejecting the Lord Jesus and the heavenly father—not you. Persecution will come to those involved in reaching the lost as it does to all the godly 2 Tim. When persecution does come, rejoice, for you have a great reward in heaven because of such. Persecution is not just getting beat bloody or killed. Persecution most often comes in milder forms such as cited in Luke 6: Blessed are you when men hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their fathers treated the prophets. When Jesus sent the Twelve forth to preach he taught them: Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. The truth of salvation has been so twisted and watered down for so long in our day that many people are thinking various false concepts and convinced they are right. The following are just three examples: You should be able to deal with these doctrinal errors when necessary. Over time you will get better in answering those clinging to false doctrines. Peter and Cornelius 7. When witnessing, avoid all subjects that are not directly linked to the plan of salvation and forgiveness of sins. If you can convince him of the truth regarding the Biblical hell, he will still remain unsaved. The JW, just like all other unsaved people, needs to get his heart purified by faith in Jesus, so center on that subject. Help that person, if you can, to learn the truth that disciples of the Lord Jesus must endure to the end to be saved. Sooner or later that person will encounter the doctrine of eternal security and needs to be warned and shown it is demonic. Explain repentance and that it is a must not to perish. Tell them repentance means to turn away from sins and nothing less. Repentance is not merely a change of mind, nor is it related to Catholic penance, which is unbiblical. This life is a test. Keep sowing the gospel seeds and good things will happen. In many cases, you will never see the blessed benefits of your labors in this life. At the Judgment, however, there will be wonderful surprises! But if you do warn the wicked man and he does not turn from his wickedness or from his evil ways, he will die for his sin; but you will have saved yourself. Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and does evil, and I put a stumbling block before him, he will die. Since you did not warn him, he will die for his sin. The righteous things he did will not be remembered, and I will hold you accountable for his blood. But if you do warn the righteous man not to sin and he does not sin, he will surely live because he took warning, and you will have saved yourself. There is no one specific way to get the truth out. In the Book of Acts, well over a dozen times salvation is taught with no one set way of proclaiming that precious truth. General knowledge of the Bible is very important, but start with what you have. With experience, you will grow in knowledge and in your ability to present the gospel. No person knows everything about every subject. Some people are abusively obstinate to the gospel truth. To violate this could open yourself up to needless persecution and danger: Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your

pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces. Furthermore, there are massive misunderstandings regarding the Biblical terms related to salvation. All of these problems can be corrected to some degree by the soul winner, as he goes forth sowing gospel seeds: And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? A soul winner is likened unto a farmer who goes forth planting seeds or one who waters seeds already planted: I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor. Hence, be faithful and keep sowing those gospel seeds. The more you witness the more seeds are spread. You have been entrusted with the precious life-giving Gospel. To do nothing about spreading the gospel to all the world is to be in serious trouble with God and in great spiritual danger. To be a soul winner is not going above and beyond the call of Christian duty, but merely doing what the Lord commands: So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty. If you are not a soul winner you are either unsaved or grossly deceived and in great spiritual danger. If all Christians everywhere were just as faithful and zealous as you are to spread the gospel of Jesus to the lost, would there be more or less people in hell today? If the tables were turned and you were the one on the road to hell, would you want someone to try to dissuade you from the damnation awaiting you by declaring to you your need of repentance and placing a submissive faith in the Lord Jesus?"

**Chapter 6 : Leading Souls to Christ - Lesson 21 in New Life in Christ course 3**

*Leading Souls to Christ - Lesson 21 in New Life in Christ course 3, a series of life-changing free online lessons from David and Jonathan. Soul-winning is serious.*

Table of Contents How to Win Souls for Christ T is a great privilege to have to speak to so noble a band of preachers; I wish that I were more fit for the task. Silver of eloquent speech and gold of deep thought have I none; but such as I have, give I unto you. Concerning the winning of souls. What is it to win a soul? I hope you believe in the old-fashioned way of saving souls. Everything appears to be shaken nowadays, and shifted from the old foundations. It seems that we are to evolve out of men the good that is already in them: I am afraid that in the process of evolution you will develop devils. I do not know much else that will come out of human nature, for manhood is as full of sin as an egg is full of meat; and the evolution of sin must be everlasting mischief. This old creature is dead and corrupt, and must be buried; and the sooner the better. Jesus has come that there may be a passing away of the old things, and a making of all things new. In the process of our work, we endeavour to bless men by trying to make them temperate; may God bless all work of that sort! But we should think ourselves to have failed if we had produced a world of total abstainers, and had left them all unbelievers. We drive at something more than temperance; for we believe that men must be born again. It is good that even a corpse should be clean, and therefore that the unregenerate should be moral. It would be a great blessing if they were cleansed of the vices which make this city to reek in the nostrils of God and good men. But that is not so much our work as this: You preach, brethren, with this object, that men may quit their sins, and fly to Christ for pardon, that by His blessed Spirit they may be renovated, and become as much in love with everything that is holy as they are now in love with everything that is sinful. You aim at a radical cure; the axe is laid at the root of the trees; the amendment of the old nature would not content you, but you seek for the imparting, by a divine power, of a new nature, that those who gather round you in the streets may live unto God. Our object is to turn the world upside down; or, in other words, that where sin abounded grace may much more abound. We are aiming at a miracle: Some brethren think that they ought to lower their note to the spiritual ability of the hearer; but this is a mistake. According to these brethren, you ought not to exhort a man to repent and believe unless you believe that he can, of himself, repent and believe. My reply is a confession: I command men in the name of Jesus to repent and believe the gospel, though I know they can do nothing of the kind apart from the grace of God; for I am not sent to work according to what my private reason might suggest, but according to the orders of my Lord and Master. Ours is the miraculous method which comes of the endowment of the Spirit of God, who bids His ministers perform wonders in the name of the holy child Jesus. We shall be wise to begin with the conviction that we are utterly powerless for this unless our Master has sent us, and is with us. But if He that sent us is with us, all things are possible to him that believeth. O preacher, if thou art about to stand up to see what thou canst do, it will be thy wisdom to sit down speedily; but if thou standest up to prove what thine almighty Lord and Master can do through thee, then infinite possibilities lie about thee! There is no bound to what God can accomplish if He works by thy heart and voice. The other Sabbath morning, before I entered the pulpit, when my dear brethren, the deacons and elders of this church, gathered about me for prayer, as they are wont to do, one of them said, "Lord, take him as a man takes a tool in his hand when he gets a firm hold of it, and then uses it to work his own will with it. You are to be instruments in the hands of God; yourselves, of course, actively putting forth all your faculties and forces which the Lord has lent to you; but still never depending upon your personal power, but resting alone upon that sacred, mysterious, divine energy which worketh in us, and by us, and with us, upon the hearts and minds of men. Brethren, we have been greatly disappointed, have we not, with some of our converts? We shall always be disappointed with them so far as they are our converts. When the power of grace works in them, "Glory! When we are preaching, and we think of a very pretty, flowery passage, a very neat, poetical paragraph, I wish we could be restrained by that fear which acted upon Paul when he said that he would not use the wisdom of words, "lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. A miracle is to be wrought by which our hearers shall become the products of that mighty power which God wrought in Christ when He

raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly place far above all principality and power; and for this we must look out of ourselves to the living God. We go in, then, for thorough downright conversion; and therefore we fall back upon the power of the Holy Spirit. If it be a miracle, God must work it, that is clear; it is not to be accomplished by our reasoning, or persuasion, or threatening, it can only come from the Lord. In what way, since the winning of souls lies here, can we hopefully expect to be endowed with the Spirit of God, and to go forth in His power? I am persuaded we have never laid enough stress on the work of God within our own selves in its relation to our service of God. A consecrated man may be charged with the divine energy to the full, so that everybody round about him must perceive it. They cannot tell what it is, nor whence it comes, nor, perhaps, whither it goes; but there is something about that man which is far beyond the common order of things. At another time that same person may be feeble and dull, and be conscious to himself that he is so. It is clear that Samson himself must be in a right condition, or he can win no victories. Dear brethren, look carefully to your own condition before God. Take care of the home farm; look well to your own flocks and herds. Unless your walk be close with God, unless you dwell in that clear light which surrounds the throne of God, and which is only known to those who are in fellowship with the Eternal, you will go forth from your chamber, and hasten to your work, but nothing will come of it. Let me show you some ways in which much must depend in soul-winning upon the man himself. We win some souls to Christ by acting as witnesses. We stand up and testify for the Lord Jesus Christ concerning certain truths. Now, I have never had the great privilege of being bamboozled by a barrister. I have sometimes wondered what I should do if I were put into the witness-box to be examined and cross-examined. I think I should simply stand up, and tell the truth as far as I knew it, and should not make an attempt to display my wit, or my language, or my judgment. If I simply gave straightforward answers to his questions, I should beat any lawyer under heaven. But the difficulty is, that so often when a witness is put into the box, he is more conscious of himself than of what he has to say; therefore, he is soon worried, teased, and bored, and, by losing his temper, he fails to be a good witness for the cause. The one thing you have to do is to bear witness to the truth. If you enquire in your own mind, "How shall I answer this man cleverly, so as to get a victory over him? A witty answer is often a very proper thing; at the same time, a gracious answer is better. Try to say to yourself: I have to bear witness to what I know, and by the help of God I will do so right boldly. If the interrupter questions me about other things, I shall tell him that I do not come to bear witness about other matters, but this one thing I do. To one point I will speak, and to no other. I do not know whether you doubt your own salvation. Perhaps I should recommend you to preach even when that is the case; since, if you are not saved yourself, you yet wish others to be. You do not doubt that you once enjoyed full assurance; and now, if you have sorrowfully to confess, "Alas! I do not feel the full power of the gospel on my own heart," you can truly add, "Yet I know that it is true, for I have seen it save others, and I know that no other power can save me. Bunyan in preaching so. At the same time, it is a great thing to be able to declare from your own personal experience that the Lord hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder. Those who hear our witness say, "Are you sure of it? I am as sure of it as I am sure that I am a living man. They call this dogmatism. Never mind about that. A man ought to know what he is preaching about, or else let him sit down. If I had any doubt about the matters I preach from this pulpit, I should be ashamed to remain the pastor of this church; but I preach what I do know, and testify what I have seen. If I am mistaken, I am heartily and intensely mistaken; and I risk my soul and all its eternal interests upon the truth of what I preach. If the gospel which I preach does not save me, I shall never be saved, for what I proclaim to others is my own personal ground of trust. I have no private lifeboat; the ark to which I invite others holds myself and all that I have. A good witness ought himself to know all that he is going to say; he should feel himself at home in his subject. He is brought up as a witness, say, in a certain case of robbery; he knows what he saw, and has to make a declaration of that only. They begin to question him about a picture in the house, or the colour of a dress which was hanging in the wardrobe. He answers, "You are going beyond my record; I can only witness to that which I saw. Brother, say what you know, and sit down. But be calm and composed while speaking of that with which you have personal acquaintance. You will never properly indulge your emotions in preaching, so as to feel at home with the people, until you are at home with your subject. When you know what you are at, you will have your mind free for earnestness.

Unless you open-air preachers know the gospel from beginning to end, and know where you are in preaching it, you cannot preach with due emotion; but when you feel at home with your doctrine, stand up and be as bold, and earnest, and importunate as you please. Face the people feeling that you are going to tell them something worth hearing, about which you are quite sure, which to you is your very life. There are honest hearts in every outdoor assembly, and every indoor assembly, too, that only want to hear honest beliefs, and they will accept them, and be led to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. But you are not only witnesses, you are pleaders for the Lord Jesus Christ. Now, in a pleader, much depends upon the man. It seems as if the sign and token of Christianity in some preachers was not a tongue of fire, but a block of ice. You would not like to have a barrister stand up and plead your cause in a cool, deliberate way, never showing the slightest care about whether you were found guilty of murder or acquitted. How could you endure his indifference when you yourself were likely to be hanged? So, when a man has to speak for Christ, if he is not in earnest, let him go to bed. You smile; but is it not better that he should go to bed than send a whole congregation to sleep without their going to bed? Yes, we must be in downright earnest. If we are to prevail with men, we must love them. There is a genuine love to men that some have, and there is a genuine dislike to men that others have.

**Chapter 7 : WINNING SOULS FOR CHRIST IN THE BIBLE**

*Tragically, the average believer couldn't care less about winning souls to Jesus. When we walk with God, we will begin to share God's burden of winning lost souls, and we will preach the Gospel, and people will get saved.*

Winning souls for Him by interesting others in our holy Faith should be the business and concern of every Catholic. These words were addressed not only to the Apostles but also to all His followers. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ promised: People outside of the Catholic Church must be warned that they must adopt the Catholic Faith in order to be saved. This direct approach does work as proven by many of the saints such as St. Francis Xavier , who won over a million converts to the faith in the Indies. He believed and taught that there is no salvation outside of the Catholic Church and Our Lord confirmed his work by tremendous miracles. Consider the zeal and examples of some of the saints and holy persons listed below: There is no service more agreeable to God than this one. Would you not feel happy if you could spend large sums of money in corporal works of mercy? But know that he who labors for the salvation of souls does far more; nay, the zeal of souls is of far greater merit before God. Gregory the Great Vincent de Paul Vincent was devoured by zeal for the house of God, his entire life testifies, because that life was employed in combating evil and extending the reign of good; and in this consists true zeal. Listen to some of his instructions to his community: Let no difficulties move us, the glory of the eternal Father and the efficacy of the Word and of the passion of His Son are at stake. The salvation of men and our own are so great that they merit to be obtained at any price. Rose of Lima, We read that her confessor offered himself to go to the missions, but he feared because of the dangers it would entail. After consulting the saint, he heard these words: Leave all to labor for the conversion of the infidel, and know that the greatest service that man can offer to God is to convert souls, for this is a work proper of the Apostolate. What greater happiness could there be than to baptize, be it only a little Indian child who would enter Heaven through the gates of Baptism? John de Brebeuf , one of the eight North American Martyrs, was heard to say, after pouring the saving waters of Baptism on a dying Indian child, "For this one single occasion I would travel all the way from France; I would cross the great ocean to win one little soul for Our Lord! Anthony Mary Claret Behold, I do the same O my God, grant me a place by the gates of Hell, that I may stop those who enter there, saying: Make a good confession. Anthony resolved never to waste a moment of time, and during his 35 years as a priest, he wrote books and preached some 25, sermons. On one trip, besides traveling, he preached sermons in 48 days and 12 in one day. The motivating force that dominated St. Dominic Savio , St. John Bosco had this to say of St. Dominic Savio the teenage saint who died in his 15th year: Dominic Savio , in a serious conversation with one of his companions, gave several reasons for his apostolic zeal in "saving souls": God urges us to help each other. If I manage to save one soul, I also ensure the salvation of my own. The devil knows this and that is why he tries to make us waste time in useless things. O, let us not waste our time! Let us save souls! Souls are falling into hell innumerable as the flakes of snow on a winter day. Instead of consoling Him we are brooding over our own sorrows. There is only one thing to do during the brief day, or rather, night of this life: Love Jesus with all the strength of your heart and save souls for Him, so that He may be loved! It is not the action in itself that is of value; it is the intention with which it is done. One act of love can determine eternal happiness for a soul. Every act of love means a soul! The act of love is especially meritorious as one of reparation. Christ, the master of humility, manifests His truth only to the humble, and hides Himself from the proud. They only need to be sought out and invited to adopt the Catholic Faith. Persistency is the key to success. In , a convert campaign was organized in the San Diego, California Diocese. In this diocese 95, homes were visited. Over 6, persons expressed interest, 2, came to classes and nearly 5, lapsed Catholics returned to the Faith. It was determined it takes fifteen calls to bring one person to the true Faith. One of the most effective and easiest ways to promote our Holy Faith is through the printed word. Anthony Mary Claret tells us that the reading of good books has always been considered of utmost importance and utility. He says it is necessary because there is a delirium for reading and if people do not have good books, they will read bad ones. If people read good and instructive books at regular and proper times, it will strengthen and nourish them greatly. But if they read bad books, indecent newspapers and

magazines, heretical booklets and other pernicious literature [Ed. Anthony, in his autobiography, gave good examples of sinners being converted by reading pious leaflets and holy cards! Alphonsus Liguori, Doctor of the Church, tells us that without good books and spiritual reading it will be morally impossible to save our souls. The Apostolate of Our Lady of the Rosary Library endeavors to make available good Catholic books, pious leaflets, instructional articles, prayer cards and sacramentals at a reasonable price. In this day of great apostasy, when millions of Catholics have lost the Faith, let us join in the battle to promote our holy Faith and to defend it against all its enemies. Let us pray that Our Dear Savior will grant us the grace of a strong and abiding faith, and a great zeal in promoting His honor and glory and the salvation of souls. You are urged to order a good supply of material that is offered by this apostolate. One good and easy method to distribute this spiritual food is to place these articles on vehicles that are parked for Church services. Let us not be discouraged, intimidated or grow weary in our efforts. John Francis Regis was once criticized for converting some wayward women because it was thought to be in vain. His reply was "If my endeavors are successful in preventing only one mortal sin, I deem my labor worthwhile.

## Chapter 8 : What Does the Bible Say About Winning Souls For Christ?

*Soul winning is a metaphor for evangelism, or witnessing. As such, this is a good thing to pursue. As such, this is a good thing to pursue. The Bible calls us to evangelize.*

How can I become more motivated for soul winning? Being motivated for soul winning is a good thing, but we must define some terms first. Soul winning is a metaphor for evangelism, or witnessing. As such, this is a good thing to pursue. The Bible calls us to evangelize. Evangelism is at the heart of the Great Commission Matthew Christians are called to be witnesses of their faith to a watching world Acts 1: Clearly, these people were so motivated for winning souls that they gave their lives to that cause. How can we be more motivated for soul winning? The Bible teaches that all people are born in sin Romans 3: The Bible teaches that the only way to avoid this judgment is to repent of our sin and embrace Jesus Christ by faith Ephesians 2: If someone we knew was dying and we had the cure for his disease, would that motivate us to share that knowledge with him? The reality is that all people have a terminal, spiritual disease sin , and, as Christians, we know the cure for that disease Jesus. This truth should be great motivation for us to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ. In some parts of the world, churches have attempted to make the Christian message more marketable for modern sensibilities. Preaching about sin, judgment, hell, and salvation through Jesus alone is not emphasized as much as messages about how Christianity can make our lives better—improve our marriages, help us raise our kids, and assist us in eliminating bad habits. The pragmatic has replaced the theological in many churches. This brand of Christianity may appeal more to a postmodern world, but it fails to confront people with the truth of their sin and their need for salvation available in Jesus alone. Souls are won not through promises of a better life in the here and now but through the power of the gospel as the only solution for our sin. Here is where we must be careful. Some Christians see soul winning as something that they do. In other words, success or failure in evangelism is seen as largely due to the efforts of the evangelist. A witness is one who simply tells what they have seen, heard, and experienced. Persuasion takes on a very different form. In persuasion, one person is engaged in an effort to change the mind of another person to a particular point of view. If soul winning is a product of our own individual effort, instead a work of the Holy Spirit 2 Thessalonians 2: The goal of soul winning becomes making sure we get someone to come to that moment of decision and accept Christ into his life. On the surface, this sounds good and noble, but at what cost? The Bible says that it is the gospel that has the power of salvation and we are not to be ashamed of it Romans 1: We need to avoid the persuasion paradigm and get back to a witness paradigm, one in which the truth of the gospel is faithfully proclaimed. It all boils down to this: If we do, then it is God who is the soul winner. It is the Holy Spirit who brings new birth. It is Jesus Christ who died to save the world. Christians are called to be witnesses to the world by proclaiming this gospel of salvation. The proclamation of the gospel is the means through which the Holy Spirit brings repentance and faith in the lives of individuals. What can be more motivating for soul winning than to know that, through our faithful proclamation of the gospel, God is saving many people Ephesians 1:

**Chapter 9 : How to Win A Soul to Jesus Christ**

*How to Win a Soul to Christ. by David J. Stewart "And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!*

We must receive Christ. Get these four facts firmly fixed in your mind, because you will use them in leading souls to Christ. A good passage to use for this is Romans 3: Let him read these verses. This is what God says about us. Now have him read Romans 3: Before a person can be saved, he must realize that he is a sinner and be willing to give up his sins. The Lord Jesus said, "Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Because we are sinners and condemned to eternal death, we need a Saviour. Our next verse is a very familiar one" John 3: Let him read it. Whom does God mean when He says "the world"? He means every one. This includes you and me. What did God give to us? He gave His Son to us. This means that He gave Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Why did God give us a Saviour? Because He loves us and because we need a Saviour! We cannot save ourselves, so God gave Jesus to us to be our Saviour. If I give you something, do you have to pay me for it? Do you have to work for it? But there is one thing you must do"you must receive it. God has given the Lord Jesus to us to be our Saviour, but we must receive Him. Now turn to John 1: Have him read this verse. How does one become a child of God? By receiving the Lord Jesus. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God? Do you believe that He died on the cross for your sins and rose again? Do you believe that He is able to save you? Do you believe that He is willing to save you? Do you believe that He would come into your heart and save you right now if you asked Him to? If the answer to these questions is "Yes," then you can ask, "Would you like to ask the Lord Jesus to come into your heart right now? If so, then pray this prayer with me: I believe that You are the Son of God, and that You died on the cross for my sins. Please come into my heart right now, and be my Saviour. How can a person know that he is saved? A good verse to use for assurance is John 3: Note that God speaks of two groups of people in this verse"those who believe on the Son, and those who do not believe on Him. What does God say about those who believe on the Son? He says, "He who believes on the Son has everlasting life. Now turn to 1 John 5: Notice in these verses that God says that we can know that we have eternal life. Assurance of salvation also comes from the witness of the Holy Spirit. This simply means that the Holy Spirit lets us know in our spirit that we are saved. We cannot know for sure. We may sincerely believe that a person has received Christ as his Saviour, but we may be mistaken. For this reason, we should never tell a person that he is saved. This is the work of the Holy Spirit. Be Courteous And Tactful In seeking to win a person to Christ you must be bold, yet you must be tactful and courteous. You must turn the conversation to spiritual matters without causing offense. Next, you must find out what a person believes about the way of salvation. One way to do this is to ask this question: These things are good, but they do not save anyone. The Bible says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. Love Is Essential The essential quality of a soul-winner is love for people. You cannot win souls if you do not love souls. God loves all people"all are precious in His sight. Ask God to fill your heart with His love. You Can Win Children Can children be saved? Yes, they surely can! In fact, it is much easier for children to trust the Lord Jesus as Saviour than it is for grown-ups. The Lord Jesus told us this. He said, "Unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Old enough to know that he has done wrong. How do you lead a child to Christ? Then tell him about the Saviour who died for his sins and ask him to receive Jesus into his heart. Some Will Have Objections "I am not a great sinner. God says that we are all sinners. Church membership does not save anyone"you must be born again. Jesus said, "Unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Yes, there are, but there will be no hypocrites in Heaven. You will not be judged by what someone else did, but by your own life. The Bible says, "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God. If you are not willing to give up your sins, you will be lost forever. Is it worth this? Jesus said, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? The Lord Jesus tells us to come to Him just as we are, and He promises to receive us. He said, "the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. No one can"until Christ comes to live in him. He enables us to

live the Christian life. The Apostle Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Jesus came to save sinners. He will save anyone who comes to Him. The Apostle Paul said, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. We are not saved by our good works, but through faith in Christ. You may be sincere, but you may be sincerely wrong. The Bible says, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death. We cannot come to God except by Him. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: It is dangerous to put off so important a matter. The Bible says, "Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth. Then you will be lost forever. Jesus said, "Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. This does not change the fact of hell. The Bible says, "But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstoneâ€" Revelation Even though you may be able to quote the verse, it is better to let the other person read it himself.