

Ten Pillars of Christ Series
Pillar Ten: True Evangelism – Jesus' Blueprint
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“How to Reach A World That Is Violent, Unjust, & In Chaos”

Headlines

- African America Shot By Police After Being Instructed To Get His Drivers License....
- Out Rage... Anger... More and more senseless violence and injustice...
- 5 Police Officers and other officers injured in Dallas retaliation shooting
- Suicide bombers killing over 200 in Iraq

Mat 24:37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Gen 6:11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

Today our earth is FILLED with VIOLENCE. There is no regard for life. Justice is slow and lacking in many places in the land. Whose life matters? ALL in the eyes of Jesus Christ.

Is there hope in the midst of all this chaos, death, misery and injustice?

Jesus says,

Joh_3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

Joh_3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Joh_6:40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Joh_6:47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

Hope is the expectation of the fulfillment of the promises of Jesus Christ....

Eternal Life is the hope that is fulfilled by living in Christ by faith.

What will the gospel do for the lives of other of those who accept it?

2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Titus 3:3-8

- 3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another.
- 4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,
- 5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;
- 6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;
- 7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
- 8 *This is* a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

Eze 36:26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

Eze 36:27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my

judgments, and do *them*.

Yes there is HOPE. This what the good news of the everlasting gospel will do for all who accept it and live by it. It changes ALL lives. Give a new attitude. This is what the world needs. This is the real answer. We as God's people have the answer and we MUST give it to the world.

What did Jesus command us to do?

Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.**

19 **Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:**

20 **Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.** Amen.

Go ye... is personal. Go YOU into all the world is a personal command to ALL His people. This is not just for preacher or teachers, but ALL people. We all have a role to play in giving the world hope in the midst of chaos.

Today we are going to focus on the evangelism methods of Jesus Christ. Does He give an evangelism blue print for us to follow as we minister God's truth to others?

What are the three main areas of evangelism that Jesus demonstrated in His earthly ministry?

Mat 9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Mat 9:36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

Jesus' Blueprint of Evangelism:

- 1)Teaching: Give instructions and explanation for things being taught
- 2)Preaching : Proclaim, publisher of the truth openly! - True Preacher
- 3)Healing: To Serve; to to heal, cure, restore to health

What are we to do?

1Pe 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should **follow his steps:**

We MUST follow the Evangelism Blueprint that Jesus followed teaching, preaching, and healing. There were no entertainment methods to attract people to the gospel. No clowns, No puppets, No Hollywood, No hip hop, No parties, No dance groups. These methods attract those who are still living in the sinful flesh. The worldly methods of evangelism please the flesh and attract others to the pursuits of the world instead of Jesus Christ.

What “draws” the people to the truth as we teach, preach and heal?

Joh 12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

Jesus is the main attraction. Lift Him up and Him only. Entertainment lifts up self and please the flesh. We should never try to compete with Hollywood. God's truth and His Word through the God ordained of methods of teaching, preaching, and healing!

Teaching, Preaching, and Healing – NEVER to be separated!

“It is the divine plan that we shall work as the disciples worked. Physical healing is bound up with the gospel commission. In the work of the gospel, teaching and healing are never to be separated.” Ministry of Healing p.

“Medical missionary work and the gospel ministry are to be bound together as the message is given to the world..” Evangelism p. 516

Medical (Whole Treatment) Missionary work:

Medical missionary work is following the healing methods of Christ both physically and spiritually without the use of drugs or psychotics. The physical healing methods of Christ are inline with the laws of the body. Remember ALL true followers of Christ will take care the body that Jesus died for. You are bought with a price, the death of Jesus. The medical missionary work is the title given for those who go about teaching, preaching, and healing. All combined.

“In every place the sick may be found, and those who go forth as workers for Christ should be true health reformers, prepared to give those who are sick the simple treatments that will relieve them, and then pray with them. Thus they will open the door for the entrance of the truth. The doing of this work will be followed by good results.”- Ellen G. White, Evangelism p. 516

This is the work of Jesus Christ. Jesus was a true medical missionary with out the approval of the worldly schools and institutions. Jesus work was practical and it was able to address all the social and health issue that the people where dealing with. Entertainment does not cure. It only causes more problem.

PEOPLE NEED TO BE TAUGHT THAT TRUE HEALING IS BASED ON OBEDIENCE TO GOD TRUTH PHYSICALLY, SPIRITUALITY, AND MENTALLY. THIS IS WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS!

What will be the ONLY missionary work in the last days and the most effective?

“I wish to tell you that soon there will be no work do in ministerial lines but medical missionary work.” - Counsels on Health p. 533

For those who what to follow Jesus' model evangelism of teaching, preaching, and healing, should we organize, plan, and execute?

“Continue to work with tact and ability. Arouse your associates to work under some name whereby they may be organized to cooperate in harmonious action. Get the young men and women in the churches to work. Combine medical missionary work with the proclamation of the third angel’s message.” Ellen G. White 6 Testimonies pp. 266-268

“Thus saith the Lord: Buildings will give character to My work only when those who erect them follow My instruction in regard to the establishment of institutions. Had those who have managed and sustained the work in the past always been controlled by pure, unselfish principles, there never would have been the selfish gathering of a large share of My means into one or two places. Institutions would have been established in many localities. The seeds of truth, sown in many more fields, would have sprung up and borne fruit to My glory. Places that have been neglected are now to receive attention. My people are to do a sharp, quick work. Those who with purity of purpose fully consecrate themselves to Me, body, soul, and spirit, shall work in My way and in My name. Everyone shall stand in his lot, looking to Me, his Guide and Counselor. I will instruct the ignorant and anoint with heavenly eyesalve the eyes of many who are now in spiritual darkness. I will raise up agents who will carry out My will to prepare a people to stand before Me in the time of the end. In many places that before this ought to have been provided with sanitariums and schools, I will establish My institutions, and these institutions will become educational centers for the training of workers.” E. G. White, Counsels on Health, pp. 226-227

The work that God called us to do is not based on our abilities, its all based on Him.

Is a pastor or church official exempt from the medical missionary work?

“You will never be ministers after the gospel order till you show a decided interest in medical missionary work, the gospel of healing and blessing and strengthening...I wish to say that the medical missionary work is God's work. The Lord wants every one of His ministers to come into line. Take hold of the medical missionary work, and it will give you access to the people. Their hearts will be touched as you minister to their necessities. As you relieve their sufferings, you will find opportunity to speak to them of the love of Jesus. . . . {CH 533.3}

The medical missionary work is practical...it meets the needs of ALL people and races.

“The gospel of health has able advocates, but their work has been made very hard because so many ministers, presidents of conferences, and others in positions of influence have failed to give the question of health reform its proper attention. They have not recognized it in its relation to the work of the message as the right arm of the body. While very little respect has been shown to this department by many of the people, and by some of the ministers, the Lord has shown His regard for it by giving it abundant prosperity. When properly conducted, the health work is an entering wedge, making a way for other truths to reach the heart. When the third angel's message is received in its fullness, health reform will be given its place in the councils of the conference, in the work of the church, in the home, at the table, and in all the household arrangements. Then the right arm will serve and protect the body. - Testimonies for the Church Volume 6 p. 327

Should we work with those who reject Jesus methods of true evangelism?

2Co 6:14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

Romans 16:17-18

17 “Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences **contrary to the doctrine** which ye have learned; and **avoid them.**

18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.”

2 Thessalonians 3:6 “Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye **withdraw** yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.”

Amos 3:3 “Can two walk together, except they be agreed?”

What does Jesus say to those who are fearful of sharing the whole truth of the everlasting gospel to ALL the world?

Luk 9:26 For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and *in his Father's*, and of the holy angels.

Luk 12:8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

Luk 12:9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

Fear to share truth of the everlasting gospel is NEVER an excuse not to share. The fear rejection reveals that self is still in the way. You are afraid of what others will say. We have NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF YOUR ARE OFFERING HEALING, PEACE, AND ETERNAL LIFE through Christ! This is very GOOD GOOD NEWS and nothing to be ashamed of!

Not ASHAMED!

Rom 1:15 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

2Ti 1:12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

You have no need to be ashamed. Get SELF out of the way... Prayer, study and do God's word through the faith of Jesus. This is the action the world needs. We need to not only talk it, live it and share it. If the word of God is truly in your heart you want to share what God has blessed you with.

What are your qualifications? Do you need a degree from the seminary?

Joh 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained [appointed] you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

We all are appointed by Jesus himself to DO – bring forth “fruit” and share with others.

“God will use men who are willing to be used. It is not the most brilliant or the most talented persons whose work produces the greatest and most lasting results.” Ministry of Healing p. 150

“As the time comes for it to be given with greatest power, the Lord will work through humble instruments, leading the minds of those who consecrate themselves to His service. The laborers will be qualified rather by the unction of His Spirit than by the training of literary institutions. Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them. The sins of Babylon will be laid open. The fearful results of enforcing the observances of the church by civil authority, the inroads of spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power--all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands will listen who have never heard words like these.” - Great Controversy 607

What can you do NOW?

Do the basics and God will expand your work and reach. You don't have to consider yourself a preacher or teacher to do this work! Be humble and allow God to lead. ALL need to be involved.

Seven Basics to teaching, preaching, and healing (Medical Missionary work) – NO MD required!

- 1) Pray & Study (not just read) Bible every day
- 2) Study and implement God Law's of Health... ANEW STARTT
- 3) Learn the basics of how the body works
- 4) Verbally share with others (casual or conversational)
- 5) Find a mentor of truth or learn from someone with more experience
- 6) Fellowship and go to church with like minded believers in the medical missionary evangelism of Jesus
- 7) Share truth filled publications and books in community (Health, Bible Studies, Great Controversy, etc)

“The message will be carried not so much by argument as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God. The arguments have been presented. The seed has been sown, and now it will spring up and bear fruit. The

publications distributed by missionary workers have exerted their influence, yet many whose minds were impressed have been prevented from fully comprehending the truth or from yielding obedience. Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere, the truth is seen in its clearness, and the honest children of God sever the bands which have held them. Family connections, church relations, are powerless to stay them now. Truth is more precious than all besides. Notwithstanding the agencies combined against the truth, a large number take their stand upon the Lord's side." {GC 612.2}

These are the basics that we can ALL do. Has you do the basics God will open doors

IS THIS YOU? ARMY OF THE LORD!

"God will move upon men in humble positions to declare the message of present truth. Many such will be seen hastening hither and thither, constrained by the Spirit of God to give light to those in darkness. The truth is a fire in their bones, filling them with a burning desire to enlighten those who sit in darkness. Many even among the uneducated, will proclaim the word of the Lord. Children will be impelled by the Holy Spirit to go forth to declare the message from heaven. The Spirit will be poured out upon those who yield to His promptings. Casting off man's binding rules and cautious movements, they will join the army of the Lord." (7T p.26, 27)

Will you join the army of the Lord in doing the works of Jesus Christ through teaching, preaching, and healing? Remember they ALL go together.

The Army of the Lord are not entertainers or sports fans; they are not concerned with Hollywood gossip; they are not buried in the sand of doubt, ignorance, or despire. They are soldiers of truth. Focus in these last days to give hope to a chaotic world.

Join an ARMY that will literally changes lives forever! - Eternal life through Jesus Christ. Do you want to protest the violence, injustice and chaos in our world today do the work of true medical missionary work of Jesus Christ. This is the solution with everlasting results!

Appeal...

The Bidden make Excuses.... Jesus does not accept excuses...

Luke 14:16-27

16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:

17 And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

Who are the bidden? Those who know the truth or presented the truth

18 And they all with one consent **began to make excuse**. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. **(Three Angel's Message with the Health Message)**

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways (open places) and hedges (closed fenced places), and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. **[LOUD CRY!!] - GET OUT OF BABYLON....**

24 For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

25 And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them,

26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.