

Let's face it, when we talk about evangelism we immediately conjure up images of clean-cut guys knocking on the door and badgering people to believe something they don't want. So, when we talk about us evangelizing people most of us feel very uncomfortable. However, evangelism is something that we are all called to participate in, so how do we go about it in a way that honours the non-violent way of Jesus? This series is designed to help us understand how we are called to share our faith.



Sunday, January 27, 2019
"Evangelism and the Holy Spirit"
1 Corinthians 2:6–16

We can get caught up in methods and strategies of how to make people believe us and become like us. And, if we're honest, we have used some methods that have been just plain bad. Instead of these, we should be trusting the Holy Spirit to empower our witness and reveal God to those we are sharing with.

Sunday, February 10, 2019
"Evangelism and Direction"
John 20:19–22

We can often assume that if people are interested in 'what we've got' they can come to us to share it. That is one of the reasons we focus on being a hospitable people. However, the reality is that many people will never set foot in our doors. Christianity from the beginning was designed to move outward to all people.

Sunday, January 13, 2019
"Evangelism and the Gospel"
1 Corinthians 15:1–5, 20–28

When we use the language of evangelism, we know that we are called to share the good news (gospel). But, **what is the good news?** Many have been taught that the good news is that we were sinners condemned until Jesus came, now we can have our sin forgiven so we can go to heaven instead (getting saved). While forgiveness and salvation both come through Christ, this is not what the apostles described as the good news. If our evangelism is going to have the power of God, then we need to make sure we preach the gospel alone!

Sunday, January 20, 2019
"Evangelism and the Church"
2 Corinthians 5:11–21

The church is not a building of concrete and steel. Rather, **the church is a redeemed people** who form an alternative community to the rest of the world. We have been given the responsibility of being ambassadors of God by inviting people to enter into the renewed people of God.

Sunday, February 3, 2019
"Evangelism and Discipleship"
Matthew 28:16–20

One classic struggle for the church has been getting people to pursue discipleship. This has grown out of the way we have framed the good news: we have gotten people saved. However, properly understood, discipleship *is* evangelism.