

*“Evangelism”*  
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## **How to Evangelize**

If we are not acting in love when we evangelize, what are we acting in? Pride, selfish ambition, self-centeredness. If the desire to evangelize lies in oneself, we are missing what it means to have God’s heart for the lost. Love is the basis for evangelism. Without love, we are nothing and we gain nothing.

### **1 Corinthians 13:**

v. 1-3:

1. What is your reaction to hearing a clanging cymbal?
2. What happens if you speak without love?
3. What does verse 2 tell us happens if we have all the answers and/or faith, but have not love?
4. What does it mean to be nothing?
5. Why would we give away our possessions if we were not doing it out of love?
6. Why do we not gain anything unless love is involved?

v. 4-7:

1. What does this tell us about who we should be when we evangelize?
2. What characteristics should we have and not have?
3. Which characteristics do we need to grow in?
4. What characteristics of love stick out to you in the context of evangelism?
5. How does it tell us to treat the person we are evangelizing to?

Thought Questions:

1. What areas of love do I need to grow in?
2. Who do I think I can love into the kingdom?
3. How can I purposefully act in love towards someone in my life this week?

The following three passages give an overview of the work of the Holy Spirit in evangelism and illustrates how the Spirit is the revealer and testifier of our faith.

1 Peter 1:7-12:

1. What is the goal of faith?
2. What is the goal of evangelism?
3. Why is this the goal?
4. What does the Holy Spirit do in this passage?

1 John 5:7-12:

1. Who is it that overcomes the world?
2. Is our purpose in evangelizing to 'overcome the world'?
3. What is the Spirit?
4. What does the Spirit do in this passage?
5. How does the Spirit help us when we evangelize?
6. What testimony is greater than our own?

1 Corinthians 2:10-12:

1. Who knows the thoughts of a man?
2. Who knows the thoughts of a man and the thoughts of God?
3. With whose wisdom do we speak?
4. How does this apply to evangelism?
5. What does the Spirit do in this passage?

Application Questions:

1. Why should we utilize the Spirit in evangelism?
2. How do we do that?

Next Week: Methods and Motivation