

Develop Personal Spiritual Habits

Session 9 – Sharing

The Expectation of Evangelism

- Christ expects each of us to share our hope in Him.
- Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 24:46-47, Acts 1:8, 1 Peter 2:9, 1 Peter 3:15, etc.
- You should know at least one way to share your faith – and practice it out loud!
- Sharing means talking intentionally about Jesus and includes inviting, investing in lives, and conversing on spiritual matters.

Empowered for Evangelism

- Response to common fears
 - Not knowing enough -
 - Rejection -
 - Messing it up –
 - Intimidated by “systems” –
- Success in evangelism = sharing your hope in Christ
- The real power for evangelism is the Holy Spirit in you (Acts 1:8)

Disciplined to Evangelize (Make it a Habit)

- Create opportunities to meet and cultivate relationships with people who don't know Christ: neighbors, hobbies, work, etc.
- Pray daily – for opportunities, sensitivity to see them, and boldness to take them!
- Be disciplined in managing your time to create space for sharing – it takes time to build relationships, truly listen to people's stories, and sincerely offer hope in Christ.
- Use bridges to move conversations to a spiritual level.
- Unless sharing is a disciplined habit, you probably won't share very often.