

Decentralized Evangelism Primer

The Point:

You know the greatest news. Tell the world.

Final Thought:

“Christian disciples are sent men and women—sent out in the same work of world evangelism to which the Lord was sent, and for which he gave his life. Evangelism is not an optional accessory to our life. It is the heartbeat of all that we are called to be and do. It is the commission of the church that gives meaning to all else that is undertaken in the name of Christ. With this purpose clearly in focus, everything that is done and said has glorious fulfillment of God’s redemptive purpose...” - Robert E Coleman, [The Master’s Plan of Evangelism](#)

Introductory Questions:

1. What was a major takeaway from the sermon for you?
2. When you find yourself resistant to sharing your faith, what tends to be the reasoning?

Read:

Now may the God of peace who by the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead the great shepherd of the sheep, our Lord Jesus Christ, equip you with every good thing to do his will, working in us what is pleasing before him through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever. Amen (Hebrews 13:20-21 NET)

Bible Study and Discussion Questions:

The questions in italics are modeled off of the Discovery Bible Study - one method of helping your friends to discover Jesus Christ.

1. *What does this passage teach about God? If these were the only two verses you had, what could you know about God?*
 - a. Follow up questions:
 - i. What does it mean to be a God of peace?
 - ii. How did God bring about peace? Peace with whom? How? At what cost?
 - iii. What does it mean to be a shepherd of the sheep?
2. *What does this passage teach about mankind, about us, about you and me?*
 - a. Follow up questions:
 - i. What does it mean to be equipped by the God we just described?
 - ii. How does he equip us? Give practical examples if possible.

- iii. Why does he equip us?
 - iv. What is his will? Bring it home to Matthew 28:19-20.
 - v. What is the end goal?
3. *If this is who God is and this is who we are, what should you do?*
- a. Why are we so resistant to talking about the God of peace if he has such a great story?
 - b. What holds you back? How can you, through the equipping of God, overcome those anxieties or deficiencies?
4. *If God is this great God of peace, who by the blood of Christ accomplished so much, who should you tell? Ask God to put one person's name in your mind this week and commit to trying to talk to them about spiritual things. Consider inviting them to church and to personally reading the Gospel of Luke with you.*