

BEING PREPARED:

Reaching the Non-Seeking Non-Believer for Christ

Evangelism isn't about *their* decision.

It's about *our* decision to lovingly communicate the gospel.

Shrewd and Innocent Evangelism is characterized by **Wisdom and Love**.

The Journey to Jesus

Non-Seeker

1. Trusting a Christian > *focus on building a trusting relationship*
2. Becoming Curious > *focus on piquing curiosity via spiritual conversations*
3. Opening to Change > *focus on modeling the wisdom of following Christ*

Seeker

4. Seeking Answers > *focus on helping them resolve their questions*
5. Receiving Jesus > *focus on helping them ask for Jesus' leadership and forgiveness*

My unsaved friend and their next needed step to salvation: _____

To be a Great Evangelist:

1. Be Wise and Loving.
2. Know your Audience.
3. Bring up Spirituality.

It's **not** the topic, it's **how** we approach it.

Genuine Curiosity > Critiques

Active Listening > Rebuttals

Spiritual Observations > Challenges

How to have a Spiritual Conversation with a non-believer:

1. Bring up a neutral topic. ex. *Have you heard about the JWST? It's designed to look for life on other planets.*
2. Introduce a spiritual element. ex. *If the JWST finds life on another planet, how might that influence people's understanding of God?*
3. Validate their feedback. ex. *Fascinating! I could totally see that happening.*
4. Contribute a Christian perspective. ex. *As a Christian, my understanding is...*

Focusing on Christ:

Proving your beliefs are true > Proving their beliefs are false

I still believe in Jesus because _____

The evangelistic idea I would most like to try: _____

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