

# Evangelism 101

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
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## Agenda

- Gospel Survey
- Presenting the Law
- Presenting the Gospel
- Witnessing Encounters
- Evangelism Terminology
- Modern Gospel vs. Biblical Gospel
- How to get involved

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
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## Street Evangelism

*The Gospel Survey*

- Prayer
- Look for people with time on their hands
- Stopping people on the street
- Honesty is always the best policy
  - a. Introduce yourself
  - b. What you're doing out in the public square
  - c. How long will this take

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## Street Evangelism

*The Gospel Survey - Introducing Yourself*

- “Excuse me. We’re a local group out tonight on the U of M campus (insert your location) doing an impromptu survey this evening on spiritual issues and was wondering if you have a couple of minutes to answer a few questions?”

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## Street Evangelism

*The Gospel Survey - Clarifying your Intentions*

- “We’re Biblical Christians interested in knowing what people believe about spiritual issues. Our goal through this dialog is to simply share the Gospel.”

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## The Gospel Survey

*Five (5) Main Questions*

- Do you have any spiritual beliefs?
- To you, who is Jesus Christ?
- Do you believe in Heaven and Hell?
- Do you have any aspirations to go to Heaven?
- If so, how will you get there?

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
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 **Law & Gospel Presentation**

- Conclude the survey (show appreciation for responses)
- Do they have time for more questions?
- Do you consider yourself to be a good person before God?
- The goal through the “good person” test is to bring about the knowledge of sin.

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
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 **The Ten Commandments**  
*God's Standard of Righteousness*

- You shall have no other Gods before Me
- You shall not make for yourself an idol
- You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain
- Observe the sabbath day to keep it holy
- Honor your father and mother
- You shall not murder
- You shall not commit adultery
- You shall not steal
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor
- You shall not covet

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
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 **The “Good Person” Test**  
*Question #1*

- Have you ever told a lie any time in your life regardless whether it was bold faced or a small white lie?
- What do you call someone who tells lies?

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
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 **The “Good Person” Test**  
*Question #2*

- Have you ever stolen anything regardless of the value any time in your life? (could be internet time, time from an employer, or even a song you illegally downloaded without paying for...)
- What do you call someone who takes things that don't belong to them?

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
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 **The “Good Person” Test**  
*Question #3*

- Have you used the Lord's name in vain? Have you ever said the words, “God” or “Jesus” as a cuss word or to express disgust?
- That is what is called blasphemy. That's using the name of the One who gave you life and sustains life as a cuss word.

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
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 **The “Good Person” Test**  
*Concluding the Test*

- We've only looked at 3 out of the 10 commandments.
- By your own admission, you're a lying, thieving - blasphemer and if God were to judge you just by the 10 commandments, do you think He'd find you innocent or guilty?
- Do you think you deserve Heaven or Hell?
- Does that concern you?

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
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**The Gospel Presentation**  
*Outline*

- Who Jesus Christ is and declared Himself to be
- What He did on the cross
- Why someone would ever need him
- What God expects of us

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
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**The Gospel**  
*Explained*

- In accordance with the Father's good pleasure, the eternal Son, who is equal with the Father and the exact representation of His nature, willingly left the glory of heaven, was conceived by Holy Spirit in the womb of a virgin, and was born the God-Man, Jesus of Nazareth.

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
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**The Gospel**  
*Explained (Continued)*

- As a man, He walked on this earth in perfect obedience to the Law of God. He was tempted in every way that you and I are and yet was without sin. In the fullness of time, He was rejected by men and crucified. On the cross, He bore man's sin, suffered God's wrath, and died in man's place. On the third day, He was raised from the dead.

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## The Gospel

*Explained (Continued)*

- This resurrection is the divine declaration that the Father has accepted His Son's death as a sacrifice for sin, that the penalty for man's disobedience has been paid, the demands of justice satisfied, and the wrath of God appeased. Forty days after the resurrection, the Son of God ascended into the heavens, sat down at the right hand of the Father, and was given glory, honor, and dominion over all.

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## The Gospel

*Explained (Continued)*

- There, in the presence of God, He represents His people and makes requests to God on their behalf. All who acknowledge their sinful, helpless condition in life, and believe upon Christ will be fully pardoned, declared righteous, and be reconciled to God.\* Repent and believe the Gospel.

\* Taken from Heart Cry Missionary Society Website  
<http://donors.heartcrymissionary.com/home-mainmenu-1/ebooks/5-gospel-of-our-salvation>

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## Follow-up

- Do you have a Bible in your possession?
- Begin to read and study the Bible every day and begin with the book of John.
- Get into fellowship with other believers
- Sit under sound Biblical teaching where the Word of God is taught and applied.
- Exchange phone number, email address.
- Philippians 1:6

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
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 **Witnessing Encounters**

- Mark 1:16-18 and 1 Cor. 1:21-25
- Take the person you're speaking with at face value.
- Always go in pairs or groups of three.
- People who say they're Christian are the ones who typically give the most flak.

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
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 **Unbiblical Evangelical Terminology**

- Accept Christ as your Personal Savior
- Make a Decision for Jesus
- Ask Jesus into Your Heart
- Come to Jesus and Find Happiness and Purpose

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
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 **Biblical Terminology**

- "Repent and Believe the Gospel" (Mark 1:15b)
- "I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:32)
- "that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem." (Luke 24:47)
- "solemnly testifying to both Jews and Greeks of repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ." (Acts 20:21)

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**Essential Gospel Truths**

- The Unique Person of Christ
- The Reason for His Death on the Cross
- The Blood Atonement
- His Resurrection
- Coming Judgment

See TwinCityFellowship.com website  
 Sermons & Sunday School classes  
 "What The Gospel Is and Is Not - Clarifying Essential Gospel Issues"  
 Presented by Bob DeWaay, October 30, 2005.

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**Modern Gospel vs. Biblical Gospel**

Have You  
 Heard  
 of the **FOUR**  
**SPIRITUAL**  
**LAWS?**

Just as there are physical laws that govern the physical universe, so are there spiritual laws that govern your relationship with God.

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**Example of the Modern Gospel**  
*Law #1*

**God loves you and offers a wonderful plan for your life.**

**God's Love**  
 "God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16, NIV).

**God's Plan**  
 [Christ speaking] "I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly [that it might be full and meaningful]" (John 10:10).

Why is it that most people are not experiencing that abundant life?  
 Because...

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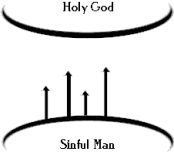
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**Example of the Modern Gospel**

**Law #2**  
**Man is sinful and separated from God. Therefore, he cannot know and experience God's love and plan for his life.**

**Man is Sinful**  
 "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).  
 Man was created to have fellowship with God; but, because of his own stubborn self-will, characterized by an attitude of active rebellion or passive indifference, is an evidence of what the Bible calls sin.

**Man is Separated**  
 "The wages of sin is death" [spiritual separation from God] (Romans 3:23).



This diagram illustrates that God is holy and man is sinful. A great gulf separates the two. The arrows illustrate that man is continually trying to reach God and the abundant life through his own efforts, such as a good life, philosophy, or religion-but he inevitably fails.

The third law explains the only way to bridge this gulf...

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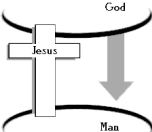
**Example of the Modern Gospel**

**Law #3**  
**Jesus Christ is God's only provision for man's sin. Through Him you can know and experience God's love and plan for your life.**

**He Died In Our Place**  
 "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

**He Rose from the Dead**  
 "Christ died for our sins... He was buried... He was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve, After that He appeared to more than five hundred..." (1Cor. 15:3-6).

**He is the Only Way to God**  
 "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father but through Me'" (John 14:6).



This diagram illustrates that God has bridged the gulf that separates us from Him by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross in our place to pay the penalty for our sins.

It is not enough just to know these three laws...

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**Example of the Modern Gospel**

**Law #4**  
**We must individually receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; then we can know and experience God's love and plan for our lives.**

**We Must Receive Christ**  
 "As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name" (John 1:12).

**We Receive Christ Through Faith**  
 "By grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as result of works that no one should boast" (Ephesians 2:8,9).

**When We Receive Christ, We Experience a New Birth**  
 (Read John 3:1-8.)

**We Receive Christ Through Personal Invitation**  
 [Christ speaking] "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him" (Revelation 3:20).

Receiving Christ involves turning to God from self (repentance) and trusting Christ to come into our lives to forgive our sins and to make us what He wants us to be. Just to agree **intellectually** that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that He died on the cross for our sins is not enough. Nor is it enough to have an **emotional** experience. We receive Jesus Christ by **faith**, as an act of the **will**.

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## Example of the Modern Gospel

**Law #4**

These two circles represent two kinds of lives:

**Self-Directed Life**  
 S-Self is on the throne  
 †-Christ is outside the life  
 ●-Interests are directed by self, often resulting in discord and frustration

**Christ-Directed Life**  
 †-Christ is in the life and on the throne  
 S-Self is yielding to Christ, resulting in harmony with God's plan  
 ●-Interests are directed by Christ, resulting in harmony with God's plan

Which circle best represents your life?  
 Which circle would you like to have represent your life?

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## Example of the Modern Gospel

**Law #4**

The following explains how you can receive Christ:

**You Can Receive Christ Right Now by Faith Through Prayer**  
 (Prayer is talking with God)

God knows your heart and is not so concerned with your words as He is with the attitude of your heart. The following is a suggested prayer:

Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be.

Does this prayer express the desire of your heart? If it does, I invite you to pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life, as He promised.

<http://www.campuscrusade.com/fourlawseng.htm>

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## The Biblical Gospel

*The "Real" Four Spiritual Laws - Law #1*

- God is holy and has a plan for your life.
- His wrath abides upon all who do not believe in the Son and His eternal displeasure against all who reject His gospel of grace.
- But life and peace for all who trust in Jesus Christ alone as their Lord and Savior.

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## The Biblical Gospel

### *The "Real" Four Spiritual Laws - Law #2*

- There is nothing you can do in or by yourself to save yourself and have a right standing before God.
- Man is sinful, conceived in sin, by nature a child of wrath; and hopelessly lost; even our own righteousness is nothing but filthy rags to a Holy God.
- All your good works are rubbish to Him as a means of salvation.
- You cannot escape the due penalty for your sin; His holiness and justice witnesses against you; His Law condemns you.
- You are guilty before God and apart from faith in Christ have no hope of eternal life.

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## The Biblical Gospel

### *The "Real" Four Spiritual Laws - Law #3*

- Jesus Christ existed as God and was with God from all eternity.
- Jesus Christ came and died in our place to bring salvation, fulfill God's law and all righteousness, to satisfy God's holiness and justice, to quench God's wrath, to destroy the works of the devil, and redeem for Himself people who in and of themselves are sinners and sinful into a right standing with God and to have peace with God forever.
- And by His resurrection from the dead, Jesus proved He is both Lord and Christ and secured our justification.

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## The Biblical Gospel

### *The "Real" Four Spiritual Laws - Law #4*

- Repent of your sin, be reconciled to God, and confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior for eternal life and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead.
- Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow Him. Love Him more than all other loves including yourself; believe solely on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to be saved.
- Salvation is through faith alone, by grace alone, in Christ alone, according to the Word alone, to the glory and praise of God alone.
- Once His love, mercy and grace are given to you, nothing or no one can ever take away your life which is hid in Jesus Christ - nothing can ever separate you from His love. This is God's wonderful plan of salvation!

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## Get Involved

- Prayer
- Contact R. Bachtell for weekly notice on time and meeting location
- Send your email address to [bachteb@yahoo.com](mailto:bachteb@yahoo.com)
- [ShareYourFaith.org](http://ShareYourFaith.org)

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