

Beyond The Wall Part Three

Sharing The Gospel Effectively

Introduction

Read: Romans 1:16-17

1. Walls exist for various reasons: to keep something in, to keep something out, and to protect or hide something.
2. Our comfort zone symbolises these walls in our lives, and to reach beyond these walls is to step out of our comfort zone.
3. Over the last few weeks, we've been talking about how we have the amazing benefits of the gospel in our lives!
4. While it may seem scary to bring the gospel out to those beyond the walls, when we have the right understanding of the power of the gospel, we can be effective in sharing it to others!
5. In today's lesson, we will discuss how we can be effective in sharing the gospel.

I. Be Proud Of The Gospel

A. We will be more comfortable with sharing the gospel when we are not ashamed of it (v16).

B. Pray for a new level of boldness and courage to share Jesus with others!

C. Overcome fear by choosing to step out more frequently.

Find opportunities in our daily lives to share about Jesus with others!

E.g. the cleaning aunty in our school, that boy/girl we always meet on the bus/train, the neighbor that always hangs around the void deck, etc.

D. Remind ourselves daily that Jesus was not ashamed of us when He died on the cross for our sake.

"That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call [us] his brothers and sisters."

- Hebrews 2:11

II. Walk Right In God's Sight

A. In order to be effective in sharing the gospel, we need to ensure that our lives match up to what we are sharing!

B. Evaluate our lives by comparing it with God's Word.

Determine the parts of our lives that need to be worked on.

E.g. our attitude towards our parents, our lack of faith, etc.

C. Be intentional about changing bad habits, attitudes or mindsets.

After knowing what we need to improve on, we can make the necessary changes to our lives.

- D. Listen to God's correction because He wants to make us a better version of ourselves.**

"If you reject discipline, you only harm yourself; but if you listen to correction, you grow in understanding."

- Proverbs 15:32

III. Have Faith When Sharing The Gospel

- A. We must have faith that when we share the gospel, the power of God is moving and doing a work in the lives of those who listen (v16-17).**

- B. Obey in faith to share the gospel instead of keeping silent.**

- C. Ask God for compassion on those outside the walls who are hurting and going through a difficult time.**

Let our compassion for the lost help us overcome our fear of sharing the gospel.

- D. Understand that God is responsible for the salvation of souls, we are merely responsible to obey what He tells us to do!**

Do not be discouraged by rejection when sharing the gospel because God is pleased with us when we choose to take that step out to obey His instructions.

Discuss!

Connect Group Leader to facilitate sharing with the Connect Group members.

- *What are some experiences you had when you stepped out in faith to share the gospel to someone, and that person was responsive?*

Conclusion

1. We need to understand that God's heart is for the people beyond the walls that need a touch of God in their lives.
2. God wants to use us to bring the gospel to those out there who do not know Him.
3. We can step out boldly and in faith to share the gospel to others when we have the right understanding of the power of the gospel!

Prayer Points:

- a) Pray that we will be proud of our relationship with Jesus Christ.
- b) Pray that we will be willing to make changes in our lives to make us right with God.
- c) Pray that we will be a godly influence to those around us, wherever we may be.

**Give opportunities for visitors to receive Christ and members to re-dedicate their lives to Jesus.*