

The Need for Evangelism

I. WHY SHOULD THE CHURCH CARE FOR THE LOST?

- A. Jesus did.
 - 1. Jn 4—The woman at the well.
 - 2. Jn 8—The woman caught in adultery.
 - 3. Jesus knew that workers are needed (Mt 9:35-38).
 - 4. He taught us that we should go (Mt 28:19-20; Mk 16:15).
 - 5. God desires that people be saved (2 Pt 3:9).
- B. Being lost is a horrible condition.
 - 1. Being lost means being without Christ, without hope, & without God (Eph 2:12).
 - 2. Hell is a real place (Lk 16:19ff).
- C. Without the Gospel, people are really lost.
 - 1. 1 Thess 2:14-16.
 - 2. If someone has never heard the Gospel, that person is lost!
- D. Gratitude.
 - 1. We have been saved & we should want others to be saved as well.
 - 2. Mt 10:8.
- E. Our own salvation depends on our evangelistic activities.
 - 1. Ez 33:1-9.
 - 2. Acts 20:26-27.
 - 3. Acts 18:6.

II. WHY DO WE SOMETIMES NOT SHOW THIS CONCERN?

- A. We get caught up in daily affairs & forget heavenly things.
- B. We feel inadequate.
 - 1. We feel we can't do much about the masses going to hell.
 - 2. We feel we don't know enough.
- C. We like to think it's not my responsibility.

III. HOW CAN WE HELP EVANGELIZE?

- A. Set an example (1 Pt 3:1-2).
- B. Teach (Col 1:28-29; Acts 8:4).
- C. Do whatever we can.
 - 1. World Bible School.
 - 2. Passing out tracts.
 - 3. Etc.