Session 4

Personal Study Guide

How: Gospel Conversations

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Introduction

- What keeps you from having more gospel conversations?
- How can you connect the everyday experiences of your life to the gospel?
- 1. Look for Opportunities (1 Cor. 15:3; 1 Pet. 3:15-16)
 - Read Isaiah 55:11. What does this verse tell you about the Word of God? How does this promise give you hope when gospel conversations do not result in a salvation?
 - Application: How can you begin to pray for God to give you opportunities and the courage to share the gospel more often?
- 2. Keep the Main Thing, the Main Thing (1 Cor. 15:3-4)
 - Why did Paul emphasize the historical nature of the gospel? How do you understand the gospel differently when you consider it first as a historical event and second as a personal experience?
 - Application: How might you keep the main thing the main thing in the areas where you tend to get hung up or derailed in gospel conversations?
- 3. Trust the Holy Spirit (Gal. 6:7-9)
 - Read John 3:1-9. What was necessary for Nicodemus to be born again?



Application: Think about your own life. How did the Holy Spirit save you? What do you know about yourself that was "unsavable" apart from the work of God? How can this give you confidence in gospel conversations with others?

Conclusion



Ask someone in your group or another friend to hold you accountable to have gospel conversations each week. How many should you strive for? How might your relationships change if you make more effort to share the gospel?



What can you change about your weekly routine to give you more opportunities to share your faith?

Daily Readings

- Monday - 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

- Tuesday - 1 Peter 3:15-16

- Wednesday - John 14:6

- Thursday Romans 1:16
- Friday Acts 8:35
- Saturday Psalm 96:3

Here's How to Become a Christ-Follower:

Read the following verses and ask after each one: "What does this say to me?"

All have sinned: Romans 3:23 & 1 John 1:8

There is a penalty for sin: Romans 6:23 & John 3:18 **You cannot save yourself:** Titus 3:5 & James 2:10

Salvation has been provided: Ephesians 2:8-9, John 3:16, & John 14:6

The conditions are simple: Repent - Luke 13:3, Confess - 1 John 1:9 & Romans 10:9,

Believe - Acts 16:31

Now is the time for a decision: Joshua 24:15 & 2 Corinthians 6:2

Accepting Christ is Just the Beginning:

Next Steps:

- Publicly profess your faith by being baptized (Matthew 10:32-33; Luke 3:21; Romans 6:4).
- Join a church which follows the Bible, where you can grow in your faith through prayer, Bible study and fellowship with other Christians. Get involved in groups for encouragement and accountability.
- Begin a daily personal worship experience with God where you study the Bible and pray.
- Share with others what Jesus has done for you. Tell your story (Romans 10:14; Matthew 28:19-20).
- Begin to live for God (Romans 12:1-2, 9-18; James 1:19-27).