

Objective

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I. Introduction.

- A. If we determine what God's objective in the world is, we can have any idea to get there.
- B. God's objective is to get people saved. (1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9; Luke 19:10)
- C. God's goal for believers is sanctification. (John 12:32; 20:21)
- D. God has planted eternity in the heart of man. There is a God-shaped vacuum in every man. (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

II. Reasons we should be proclaiming the gospel.

- A. We are responsible. (1 Corinthians 4:2; 2 Corinthians 5)
- B. Men are looking for answers.
- C. The world is in a mess.
- D. Jesus is working.

III. How we witness.

- A. Demonstration. (1 Thessalonians 1:7-9; Acts 4:13)
- B. Presentation.
 - 1. Ask about a person's eternal destiny.
 - 2. Ask a person what a Christian is.
- C. Explanation.
 - 1. Saying Jesus is saved is not enough.
 - 2. Give people a chance to respond.

IV. Why we are not sharing the gospel: the Devil's lies such as there is no power in the gospel, all men do not need Jesus, you are not fit to share the gospel. (Acts 4:12; John 14:6; Mark 1:37; John 6:44; 15:6)

V. Stewardship of our God given time, abilities and money. (1 Corinthians 4:7; Deuteronomy 8:18; Proverbs 30:8-9; 23:4-5)

VI. The importance of our lives.

- A. The life that attracts.

B. The life that recruits. Conversion is not the end of our lives—it is the beginning. (2 Peter 1:2-3)

C. The life that trains. (Philippians 2:9)

D. The life that sends. (Ephesians 6)

VII. How to fight.

A. Do not make frontal attacks on the enemy.

B. Infiltrate. Professionals will not reach the world because they are not where the people are at.

IX. Conclusion.

Application questions:

1. Why is our witness important?

2. What is keeping you from being a more active witness?

3. What do you need to do to be a better prepared witness? Explain.
