

# Making the Most of our Opportunities for Evangelism

*Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. (Col. 4:5)*

1. We must go where the people are who need to get saved – wherever they are – (Matt. 9:10-13)
  - a. Jesus went to the outcast rather than to the religious people only. (Mark 2:15-17; Luke 5:32).
  - b. Jesus made it a point to go through Samaria in order to reach certain lost people there. (John 4:4-42)
  - c. Jesus came to *seek* for the lost and to save them. (Luke 19:10)
2. Peter and John *flooded* Jerusalem with the Gospel. (Acts 5:28)
3. Paul got people to read God's Word for themselves (Acts 17:11)
4. House-to-house evangelism is New Testament evangelism. (Acts 5:42; 20:20)
5. Daily evangelism in New Testament evangelism. (Acts 5:42; 19:19)
6. Unceasing evangelism. (Acts 5:42)
7. Evangelism to governmental authorities:
  - a. We will have the opportunity to witness for Christ when taken to court for being Christians and for spreading the Gospel. (Luke 21:13)
  - b. Peter and John preached, when arrested, to the authorities. (Acts 4:8-12)
  - c. Paul preached to Felix (Acts 24:25) and to Agrippa[pa (Acts 26:28-29) in his trial.
  - d. Paul preached to guards while in prison for Jesus. (Acts 16:31; Phil. 1:12-13)
8. Evangelism when traveling is New Testament evangelism:
  - a. Jesus stopped to rest and evangelized while he was resting. (John 4:4-42)
  - b. The members of the Jerusalem church were scattered all over Judea and Samaria by persecution (Acts 8:1). When they were fleeing, they preached the Gospel from place to place. (Acts 8:4)
  - c. Philip told the Gospel in all the towns he passed through while traveling from Samaria to Jerusalem. (Acts 8:40)
  - d. Peter and John told the Gospel in many Samaritan villages while traveling from Samaria to Jerusalem. (Acts 8:25)
  - e. *We* are to take the Gospel into every place that we possibly can. (Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47-49; John 20:21; Acts 1:8)
9. Any place where there is a group of lost people there is a needy place to evangelize:
  - a. Synagogue evangelism (Acts 13:14-15; 14:1; 17:1-2, 10, 17; 18:14, 19; 19:8)
  - b. Paul and Silas went to the spot where they thought that the most people would be. (Acts 16:13)
  - c. A curious crowd gathered at Pentecost, Peter preached, and 3000 were saved. (Acts 2:5-42)
  - d. Paul used a festival in Ephesus as an opening for evangelism. (1 Cor. 16:8-9)
10. Evangelizing neighbors. (Acts 18:7-8)
11. An apology or explanation of the faith is an opportunity for evangelism. (Acts 2:5-42; 1 Pet. 3:15)

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*But he shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me . . .” (Acts 1:8)*

*A true witness delivereth souls. (Prov. 14:25)*