

The Disciple and Non-Christian Neighbors

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I. Introduction.

- A. Prayer is important to evangelization for anyone.
- B. Friends share what they do and what is on their hearts. (John 15:15)

II. Key characteristics of sharing our faith.

- A. We are to consider one another. (Hebrews 10:24-26)
- B. We are to be bold to share our faith. (1 Thessalonians 2:2, Matthew 4:19)
- C. We are to be God pleasers having a good witness before others. (1 Thessalonians 2:4, Ecclesiastes 12:14, 1 Chronicles 28:9-10)
- D. We are to be hard workers. (1 Thessalonians 2:9, Acts 20:34-35)

III. We are all in it together with sharing our faith. We are just one cog in the wheel as we go along in our witness. (2 Timothy 4:7)

IV. We have to share some basic beliefs in witness.

- A. Paul was a Satan-fighter. (Acts 19:15)
- B. Paul gave thanks and was an encourager. (1 Thessalonians 2:11)
- C. Paul was gentle. (1 Thessalonians 2:7-8)
- D. Paul was not a glory seeker. Our motivation must be to glorify Jesus Christ. (1 Thessalonians 2:6)

V. How we go about sharing our faith.

- A. We must first size up the situation. (Psalm 1:1-3)
- B. You plant the seed, strategically lay out and help people.
- C. Witness as a lifestyle.
- D. We need to have some way of touching people right around us. Figure out how you can adjust your schedule to be involved with others to come in contact with people around you.
- E. There are enough Christians to reach the world in a generation by just reaching those around us.

Application questions

1. Why is community important when considering how we share our faith?

2. What must we possess to share our faith?

3. What strategy will you use to share your faith with the people around you? Explain.
