ACTION STEP 12 | EVANGELISM

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*How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them*

Romans 10:14

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THE DISCIPLINE OF EVANGELISM

Step 12 pushes the believer to evangelism - bringing the gospel to those around us. If you are in Christ, you have a miraculous story of His grace to tell. But why is it so important that people hear it? Why does evangelism matter?

1. *Evangelism is inseparable from the life of a believer*[[1]](#footnote-1)*,* as it is for the glory of God. When we experience the grace of God in our lives, it compels us to share it with others.
2. *Evangelism is commanded* because people are in desperate need. (Matthew 28:19-20, Mark 1615, Luke 24:46-47, John 20:21, Acts 1:8) The church is God’s chosen means of bringing the gospel to the lost. Just as we came to an understanding of our desperate need for Jesus, there are many others who still need to hear.
3. *Evangelism is empowered by the Holy Spirit:* We are never dependent on ourselves to share our story, but rather we depend on God, who has given us His spirit to do the work.

PASSAGE STUDY

Read through Romans 10:1-15 and answer the following questions

1. What is Paul’s heart towards the unbelievers? What is your heart?
2. According to this passage, what is the reality for those who believe in Christ, your reality? Therefore, what is the reality for those who do not believe?
3. How do you feel about sharing your grace story with others? Does it excite you, scare you, have you thought about it before? Share your answer with your sponsor.

PASSAGE RESPONSE

Before we even begin telling our story of God’s grace, there are simple ways we can prepare our hearts, minds, and relationships for evangelism

1. *Identity* someone in your circle that needs Jesus. This could be a family member, friend, or co-worker. Think through the relationships you already have.
2. *Pray* for that person. No one can come to know Christ apart from God’s work in their life. Only the Lord has the power to save. Therefore, we must ask Him to do the work in the people we engage with.
3. *Engage* with that person. Build your relationship with them, listen to them, and pray for an opportunity to share your story and the good news of the gospel with them.

1. Capitol Hill Baptist. “Class 8: Evangelism.” Core Seminars | Capitol Hill Baptist, http://www.capitolhillbaptist.org/sermon/class-8-evangelism/ [↑](#footnote-ref-1)