



Hello!

When I was in college, I was part of a launch team for a new worship service that our church was launching. There was a new pastor on staff who would be leading this endeavor, I was tasked with leading the worship team, another person was in charge of developing a plan for families with children, and another was in charge of hospitality.

It was a very talented team, and we were so excited about the work we would be doing. But sadly, it failed before the service every really took off.

We were all so focused on our individual tasks, that we forgot to invite to go beyond our church building and tell people about what we were up to. When we finally launched, we had friends and family show up, but aside from that, we had not reached a single new person.

Truth is that evangelism, sharing our faith with others, is a central part of who we are called to be as the body of Christ. But how do we become effective evangelists and avoid all the negative type of evangelism we see in the world?

For the next three weeks, we will be Unpacking: The Way of Evangelism. The hope is to tear down false assumptions we all have about evangelism, and gain the tools to live it out effectively. I pray these resources and conversations can be helpful as you do ministry!

Weekly Video: Getting the Conversation Started

"I think the reason so many of us struggle with evangelism, struggle with sharing our faith, is because we haven't taken the time to experience for ourselves, the life that we are inviting others to experience." **-Fernie Rivera**

Evangelism had always been a taboo word that I was too scared to put into practice because I was afraid of scaring my friends away from Jesus. But what if The Way of Evangelism is actually a core part of who we already are?

Check out [this weeks video](#)!

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Industry Insight

"How do we know if we are progressing in our faith? One way to think about it is where we see God. More specifically we might think of the spiritual life as moving from: Seeing God where we expect, Seeing God everywhere, Unable to see God, Seeing God where we do not expect God to be. What follows is a brief unpacking of each of these different movements, or different faiths."

[Am I Growing in My Faith by Jason Valendy](#)

My trainer likes to remind me that growth and transformation end when we stop measuring and assessing our progress. Truth is that there is no wrong way to measure and assess, we just have to do it. The same is true of our own spiritual growth. Unless we continue to measure and assess our spiritual growth, it is easy to get complacent, and worse, walk away from our faith.

While there are many ways to gauge spiritual growth, I want to invite you to read this article. It gives a measurement tool that can at least be a launching pad for you.

Take a moment to [read through this article](#) helping you do just that!

On A Weekly Basis (Devotional)

Never Stop Growing

"And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations?" **1 Corinthians 3:1-3 (NRSV)**

Early on in my ministry, I had a staff member quit. It was not a complete surprise as there had been a lot of issues with this employee. But the timing was not good. (Is it ever?)

This person and I met in my office, and we talked about the timeline going forward and figuring out what our next steps should be. Suddenly, for some unexplainable reason, I had the inclination to ask what led to their decision.

Their response still haunts me to this day...

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Weekly Freebie!

Here is a [FREE WORKSHEET](#) I created to help you assess where you are on your spiritual growth journey and help you develop a plan to continue growing every single day.

You can download it here!

Want to learn more?

As always, if you are intrigued by this conversation, I would love to partner with you to help you create clarity around your values and the culture you are trying to create because I truly believe that in doing so, we can help more and more people experience heaven on earth, here and now. If you are interested, you can reach out to me at coachingforhereandnow@gmail.com or visit www.hereandnowcoaching.org

Now go and give the world a glimpse of
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