

Chapter 4 Study Guide: The Holy Spirit Moves

Section 1: Biblical Foundations of Evangelism

Fill-in-the-Blank Scripture Questions (KJV)

1. **Matthew 28:19-20** - "Go ye therefore and _____ all nations, baptizing them in the name of the _____ and of the _____ and of the _____: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have _____ you: and, lo, I am with you _____, even unto the _____ of the world. Amen."
2. **John 4:35** - "Say not ye, There are yet _____ months, and then cometh _____? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your _____, and look on the _____; for they are _____ already to harvest."
3. **Mark 16:15** - "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the _____, and _____ the _____ to every _____."
4. **Matthew 5:6** - "Blessed are they which do _____ and _____ after righteousness: for they shall be _____."

Application Questions

1. How does understanding evangelism as a divine command rather than a suggestion change your approach to sharing the gospel in your daily life?
2. What does the urgency described in John 4:35 about "white harvest fields" mean for how you prioritize evangelism in your current season of life?
3. In what practical ways can you begin to see your local community as part of the "all the world" mandate from Mark 16:15?

Section 2: Personal Preparation for Evangelism

Fill-in-the-Blank Scripture Questions (KJV)

1. **John 17:17** - "Sanctify them through thy _____: thy _____ is truth."
2. **Ephesians 6:18-19** - "Praying always with all _____ and _____ in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that _____ may be given unto me, that I may open my _____ boldly, to make known the _____ of the gospel."

3. **1 John 1:9** - "If we _____ our sins, he is _____ and _____ to forgive us our sins, and to _____ us from all unrighteousness."
4. **Matthew 5:16** - "Let your _____ so _____ before men, that they may see your good _____, and glorify your _____ which is in heaven."

Application Questions

1. How can you establish a consistent pattern of spiritual preparation before engaging in evangelistic conversations?
2. What role do personal confession and repentance play in maintaining your effectiveness as a witness for Christ?
3. How does living a holy lifestyle serve as a testimony that supports your verbal witness of the gospel?

Section 3: Understanding Your Audience and Divine Appointments

Fill-in-the-Blank Scripture Questions (KJV)

1. **Psalms 145:4** - "One _____ shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy _____ acts."
2. **Colossians 4:5** - "Walk in _____ toward them that are without, _____ the time."
3. **Acts 8:29** - "Then the _____ said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this _____."
4. **Acts 16:14** - "And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose _____ the Lord _____, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul."

Application Questions

1. How can you develop greater cultural awareness and sensitivity when sharing the gospel with people from different backgrounds or generations?
2. What are some practical ways to recognize when God is orchestrating a "divine appointment" for gospel sharing?
3. How should the understanding that "God opens hearts" affect your confidence and approach when witnessing to others?

Answer Key

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Fill-in-the-Blank Answers:

1. teach, Father, Son, Holy Ghost, commanded, alway, end
2. four, harvest, eyes, fields, white
3. world, preach, gospel, creature
4. hunger, thirst, filled

Application Questions: *Answers may vary*

1. **Command vs. Suggestion:** Understanding evangelism as a command transforms it from an optional activity into an act of obedience to Christ. This perspective should create a sense of responsibility and urgency, moving evangelism from something we do when we feel like it to something we're called to do as disciples. It changes our motivation from guilt or pressure to loving obedience.
2. **Urgency of Harvest:** The urgency of "white harvest fields" suggests that people around us are ready to hear the gospel right now. This should impact how we prioritize our time, recognizing that there may be divine appointments happening daily that we could miss if we're not spiritually alert and available. It calls us to see evangelism as a present opportunity rather than a future obligation.
3. **Local as Global:** Seeing your local community as part of the global mission field means recognizing that God's call to "all the world" begins where you are. This could involve intentionally engaging with neighbors, coworkers, and community members, recognizing that cross-cultural mission can unfold right in your own neighborhood as you encounter people from diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and life experiences.

Section 2: Personal Preparation for Evangelism

Fill-in-the-Blank Answers:

1. truth, word
2. prayer, supplication, utterance, mouth, mystery
3. confess, faithful, just, cleanse
4. light, shine, works, Father

Application Questions: *Answers may vary*

1. **Spiritual Preparation:** Consistent spiritual preparation may include daily prayer for evangelistic opportunities, regular confession of sin to maintain a clean heart, studying

Scripture to be prepared to give answers, and asking God for boldness and wisdom. This preparation keeps us spiritually sensitive and ready for divine appointments rather than being caught off guard.

2. **Confession and Effectiveness:** Personal confession and repentance maintain our fellowship with God and prevent sin from quenching or grieving the Holy Spirit. When we harbor unconfessed sin, it affects our confidence in approaching others and can diminish the Spirit's power **at** work within us. Regular confession keeps our spiritual vessels clean and available for God's use.
3. **Holy Lifestyle as Testimony:** A holy lifestyle serves as a living testimony that gives credibility to our words. When people observe consistency between what we say and how we live, it opens **the** door to deeper conversations about faith. Our good works become a platform that points others to glorify our Father in heaven, making our verbal witness more authentic and compelling.

Section 3: Understanding Your Audience and Divine Appointments

Fill-in-the-Blank Answers:

1. generation, mighty
2. wisdom, redeeming
3. Spirit, chariot
4. heart, opened

Application Questions: *Answers may vary*

1. **Cultural Awareness:** Developing cultural awareness involves listening more than speaking, learning about different worldviews and values, and adapting our communication style while keeping the gospel message unchanged. This may include using different illustrations, being mindful of cultural taboos, or recognizing generational differences in how people perceive and process information.
2. **Recognizing Divine Appointments:** Recognizing divine appointments involves being spiritually alert through prayer, being available and approachable to others, and looking for natural conversation starters or opportunities. Signs might include unexpected encounters, people bringing up spiritual topics, or situations where someone expresses spiritual hunger or struggles with life that create an openness to the gospel.
3. **God Opens Hearts:** Understanding that God opens hearts should increase our confidence because the results don't depend on our persuasive abilities but on God's work in the person's heart. This should make us bold in sharing while also humble, knowing that we're simply instruments. It should also encourage us not to give up when people initially reject the message, since God may be working in ways we can't see.