

Chapter 3 Study Guide: The Art of Evangelism

Section 1: The Commission to Go

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

Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore and _____ all nations, _____ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, _____ them to observe all things whatsoever I have _____ you. And, lo, I am with you _____, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

John 4:35 "Say not ye, There are yet _____ months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your _____, and look on the fields; for they are _____ already to harvest."

1. **Personal Reflection:** The teacher mentions going to the "digital highways" of the 21st century. What are some specific digital platforms or methods you could use to share the gospel in today's world? How might you practically implement this in your own life?
2. **Biblical Understanding:** Jesus told the parable of the king's wedding feast, where servants were sent to the highways and byways to compel people to come in. How does this parable change your perspective on who you should be reaching with the gospel? Are there people groups you've been overlooking?
3. **Practical Application:** The speaker emphasizes the importance of having a specific plan for follow-up before beginning evangelism. What would your personal follow-up plan look like? Include at least three specific steps you would take with someone who has just accepted Christ.

Section 2: Discipleship and Fellowship

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

Hebrews 10:24-25 "And let us consider one another to _____ unto love and to good works: Not _____ the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but _____ one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day _____."

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the _____. So then neither is he that _____, any thing, neither he that _____; but God that giveth the _____."

1. **Church Community:** The teaching emphasizes that new converts need to understand that churches don't expect them to "earn their way in." How can you help dispel misconceptions about church attendance and create a welcoming environment for new believers?
2. **Mentorship Role:** The speaker mentions being "one mentor away from becoming all God created them to be." Who in your life might benefit from your mentorship? What practical steps can you take to become that mentor?
3. **Personal Growth:** The teaching states that "without God's people, without the body of Christ, it's impossible to do that on your own." Reflect on your own spiritual growth. How has fellowship with other believers been essential to your development as a Christian?

Section 3: Relying on the Holy Spirit and Urgency

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

Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive _____ after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be _____ unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the _____ part of the earth."

James 4:14 "Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a _____ that appeareth for a little time, and then _____ away."

1. **Spirit Dependence:** The teaching uses the analogy of a glove and a hand to describe our relationship with the Holy Spirit in evangelism. How can you practically "get out of the way" and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you? What might be hindering this process in your life?
2. **Prayer Life:** The speaker emphasizes the importance of praying "before, during, and after evangelistic encounters." Develop a specific prayer strategy for evangelism. What would you pray for before witnessing? During conversations? After encounters?

3. **Urgency Understanding:** Given that life is described as "a vapor," how should this reality affect your daily priorities and evangelistic efforts? What specific changes might you need to make to live with greater urgency for sharing the gospel?

Answer Key

Section 1 - Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

Matthew 28:19: teach, baptizing, teaching, commanded, always **John 4:35:** four, eyes, white

Section 2 - Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

Hebrews 10:24-25: provoke, forsaking, exhorting, approaching **1 Corinthians 3:6-7:** increase, planteth, watereth, increase

Section 3 - Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

Acts 1:8: power, witnesses, uttermost

James 4:14: vapour, vanisheth

Application Questions - Sample Answers

Section 1 Application Answers

1. **Personal Reflection** (Answers may vary): Social media platforms like Instagram, TikTok, and Facebook offer opportunities to share faith through posts, stories, and direct messages. Creating Christian content, sharing testimonies, or engaging in respectful conversations in comment sections can reach people globally. YouTube channels, podcasts, and Christian websites provide platforms for deeper discipleship content.
2. **Biblical Understanding** (Answers may vary): This parable challenges us to reach beyond our comfort zones to those society often overlooks - the homeless, addicted, imprisoned, or marginalized communities. It reminds us that God's invitation extends to all people, regardless of social status, and we should actively seek those who might feel unwelcome in traditional church settings.
3. **Practical Application** (Answers may vary): A comprehensive plan might include: (1) Providing immediate resources like a New Testament or devotional, (2) Connecting them with a local Bible-believing church within the week, (3) Arranging regular check-ins via phone or coffee meetings, (4) Introducing them to other mature believers for additional support, and (5) Beginning basic discipleship studies covering prayer, Bible reading, and Christian living.

Section 2 Application Answers

1. **Church Community** (Answers may vary): Churches can emphasize grace over performance by clearly communicating that salvation is by faith alone, creating newcomer-friendly services with explanations of traditions, providing casual dress environments, and training greeters to genuinely welcome newcomers without overwhelming them. Small groups that focus on questions and growth, rather than prior knowledge, help create safe spaces.
2. **Mentorship Role** (Answers may vary): Look for those newer in faith, younger believers, or those facing similar life challenges you've overcome. Practical steps include: scheduling regular coffee meetings, sharing life experiences honestly, providing accountability in specific areas, praying together, and introducing them to other mature believers. The goal is **to** walk alongside rather than lecture from above.
3. **Personal Growth** (Answers may vary): Personal reflection might include how other believers encouraged during difficult times, accountability in spiritual disciplines, different perspectives on Scripture, practical help during crises, and examples of Christ-like living. The body of Christ provides what individual study cannot: corporate worship, mutual encouragement, diverse spiritual gifts, and accountability in Christian living.

Section 3 Application Answers

1. **Spirit Dependence** (Answers may vary): Getting out of the way involves confessing and forsaking known sins, spending time in prayer and Scripture before witnessing, listening more than speaking during conversations, asking God for wisdom rather than relying solely on prepared arguments, and being willing to follow unexpected conversational directions the Spirit might lead. Pride, fear, and lack of preparation can hinder this process.
2. **Prayer Life** (Answers may vary): Before witnessing: pray for divine appointments, wisdom in words, boldness to share, and the Holy Spirit to prepare hearts. During conversations: silent prayers for guidance, discernment of needs, appropriate Scripture verses, and sensitivity to the Spirit's leading. After encounters: thanksgiving for opportunities, intercession for those witnessed to, wisdom for follow-up, and continued spiritual growth for new believers.
3. **Urgency Understanding** (Answers may vary): Understanding life's brevity should lead to prioritizing eternal matters over temporary concerns, being more intentional about sharing faith with family and friends, spending less time on entertainment and more on meaningful relationships, regularly evaluating time usage against eternal impact, and maintaining readiness to share the gospel at any moment. Specific changes include setting aside dedicated time for evangelism, developing relationships with non-believers, and preparing to give clear testimonies.