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INTENTIONALITY & THE EARLY CHURCH

# **REACHING OUT WITH JESUS**

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METHODS ARE MANY. PRINCIPLES ARE FEW. METHODS ALWAYS CHANGE.

PRINCIPLES NEVER DO. - HARRINGTON EMERSON

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

A PRINCIPLE IS A TIMELESS T	RUTH THAT		OUR	
decisions/actions. It is the	1E	BEHIND T	HE WHAT.	
Principle #1 We need Je	sus (Ac. 4:	12; 13:38-3	9; 22:16)	
No amount of good deed	s, moral cl	noices, or	Christian	
fellowship can		only Je	esus can.	
Principle #2 God is working	g (Ac. 8:26	-30; 16:9-1	0; 26:16-18)	
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God hearts to recieve good news and calls  His people to step in and His word.				
This people to step in and This word.				
Principle #3 The gospel demands a response				
(Ac. 13:46; 17:30-32; 24:24-27; 26:27-29)				
The gospel is offered to all, but not all accept it				
some				
some				
some				
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RESPONSE	THE GOSPI	EL CENTERS	ON	
	JESUS <sup>,</sup>		WORK	
S	GOD'S		WORK	
SON FATHER & SPIRIT				
\ \ / /	OUR		RESPONSE	

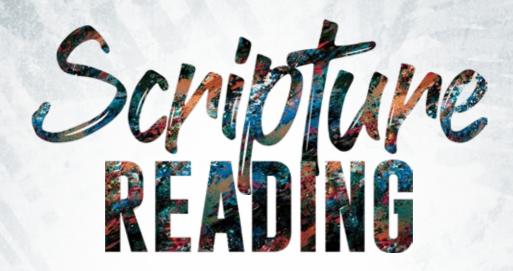
"IT IS CLEAR YOU DON'T LIKE MY WAY OF DOING EVANGELISM. YOU RAISE SOME GOOD POINTS. FRANKLY, I SOMETIMES DO NOT LIKE MY WAY OF DOING EVANGELISM. BUT I LIKE MY WAY OF DOING IT BETTER THAN YOUR WAY OF NOT DOING IT." - D.L. MOODY

## **TIMELESS METHODS**

A METHOD IS A PRACTICAL	USED TO
ACCOMPLISH A GOAL. IT IS THE BEHIND	THE WHY.
Method #1 In public spaces (Ac. 3:11-26; 17:16	6-34; 19:8-10)
Соме & See (Jn. 1:38-39, 45-46)	
Public place #1	
Public place #2	-
Public place #3	-
Method #2 As you go (Ac. 8:4, 26-40; 16:25	5-34; 26:25)
Why People Avoid Christianity	′
They've had a experience with chur	ch/Christians
They've been taught a version of	Christianity
They want to sin and/or	in sin
They're overwhemled with social	to fit in
They're influenced by f	forces
Method #3 From house to house (Ac. 10:24; 1	•
The early church utilized homes as cen	

#### Comparison: Evangelism vs. Discipleship

Category	Evangelism	Discipleship
Audience	Unbelievers	Believers
Goal	Salvation	Spiritual growth
Method	Proclaiming the gospel	Teaching and mentoring
Focus	Conversion	Transformation
Key Passages	8:26-40; 13:38-39; 16:25-34	2:42-47; 16:1-5; 18:24-28



### **ACTS 13:1-6**

"NOW PETER AND JOHN WENT UP TOGETHER TO THE TEMPLE AT THE HOUR OF PRAYER, THE NINTH HOUR. AND A CERTAIN MAN LAME FROM HIS MOTHER'S WOMB WAS CARRIED, WHOM THEY LAID DAILY AT THE GATE OF THE TEMPLE WHICH IS CALLED BEAUTIFUL, TO ASK ALMS FROM THOSE WHO ENTERED THE TEMPLE: WHO. SEEING PETER AND JOHN ABOUT TO GO INTO THE TEMPLE, ASKED FOR ALMS. AND FIXING HIS EYES ON HIM, WITH JOHN, PETER SAID, "LOOK AT US." SO HE GAVE THEM HIS ATTENTION, EXPECTING TO RECEIVE SOMETHING FROM THEM. THEN PETER SAID, "SILVER AND GOLD I DO NOT HAVE, BUT WHAT I DO HAVE I GIVE YOU: IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH, RISE UP AND WALK."" (ACTS 3:1-6, NKJV)

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