



WALKING WITH JESUS

“IN THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD”

EPHESIANS 6:11

- “Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”

CCIC BELIEVES:

1. WE ARE CHRIST CENTERED. Galatians 2:20 “ I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ”

2. LOVE IS OUR BOND. Colossians 3:14 “ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”

3. GOSPEL IS OUR MISSION. Mark 16:15 “He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.”

OUR STRUCTURE:

1. CONTINUE TO TEACH THE WORD OF GOD. 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17.” All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God^[a] may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

2. CONTINUE TO TEACH TO PRAY. LUKE 11:1.” One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

OUR STRUCTURE:

3. CONTINUE TO LOVE GOD AND OUR NEIGHBOR. MARK 12:30-31.” Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’^[f] ³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’^[g] There is no commandment greater than these.”

4. CONTINUE TO TEACH TO GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES. MATTHEW 28:19-20. “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

TEXT: ROMANS 1:16-17

- “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last,^[e] just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”^[f]”

HOW TO WALK IN THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

I. WE NEED A NEW HEART. [1 COR. 2:14-15]

II. WE NEED A HUNGRY HEART. [2PETER 2:2]

III. WE NEED AN OBEDIENT HEART. [PSALM 119:98-100]

IV. WE NEED A DISCIPLINED HEART. [2 TIMOTHY 1:7]

SHARING THE GOSPEL OF PEACE

- “YOU CANNOT SHARE THINGS THAT YOU DON’T HAVE.”
- AND YOU CANNOT SHARE WHAT YOU DO NOT CLEARLY UNDERSTAND”.

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

I. WE NEED A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE GOSPEL. [1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-4]

- “Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.
- ³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance^[a]: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ”

I . WE NEED A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE GOSPEL. [1
CORINTHIANS 15:1-4]

- A. The Gospel is for our salvation. It saves, transforms, and gives hope.
- B. The Gospel is centered on Christ. His death, burial, resurrection.
- C. The Gospel must be preached.
- D. The Gospel must be received

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

II. THE MESSAGE WE SHARE. [Romans 3:23 , Romans 6:23]

- “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,”
- “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in ^[b] Christ Jesus our Lord.”

II. THE MESSAGE WE SHARE.

A. The Problem: Sin.

B. The consequence: Death.

C. The solution: Jesus Christ.

D. The Response: Faith and Repentance.

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

III. THE HEART OF THE MESSENGER . [MATTHEW 9:36-38]

- “³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

III. THE HEART OF THE MESSENGER

“Effective Evangelism flows from compassion.”

- A. See people as Jesus Sees Them.
- B. Feel What Jesus feels.
- C. Respond with Prayer and action.

Pray daily for specific people. Ask God to soften your heart toward others.

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

IV. POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. ACTS 1:4,8.

- “⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.”
- “ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

IV. POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We don't share alone - God empowers us.

A. The Promise of power. [Holy Spirit.]

B. The Purpose of Power. [Witnessing.]

C. The Scope: [Everywhere. To the end of the earth.]

- Depend on the Holy Spirit, not your ability.
- Pray before Sharing the Gospel.

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

V. PRACTICAL WAYS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL. [COLOSSIANS 4:5-6]

- “ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.”

V. PRACTICAL WAYS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

A. Live Wisely Before Others.

B. Speak with Grace.

C. Be Ready to answer

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

VI. THE ROLE OF YOUR TESTIMONY. REVELATION 12:11

“YOUR STORY IS A POWERFUL GOSPEL TOOL.”

- “They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

VI. THE ROLE OF YOUR TESTIMONY

Your story is a powerful tool.

A. Your life before Christ.

B. How you met Christ.

C. Your life after Christ.

◦ “Keep it Christ centered, not self centered.”

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

VII. THE URGENCY OF THE GOSPEL. [2 Corinthians 5:20]

- “We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.”

VII. THE URGENCY OF THE GOSPEL.

“PEOPLE NEED THE GOSPEL NOW.”

A. We are Christ's Ambassadors.

B. God is appealing through us.

C. Now is the time for salvation.

◦ “DON'T DELAY SHARING, BE INTENTIONAL EVERYDAY”

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

IIX. NO OTHER GOSPEL. GALATIANS 1:7-9

- “⁷ which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God’s curse! ⁹ As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God’s curse!”

IIX. NO OTHER GOSPEL.

“THERE IS ONLY ONE TRUE GOSPEL, AND ANY MESSAGE THAT ADDS TO OR CHANGES IT IS FALSE AND DANGEROUS.

A. The danger of Distortion . V7.

B. The deception of false Teachers. V7.

C. The Authority of the True Gospel v8.

D. The seriousness of error. Vv8-9.

◦ “Test every teaching, stay grounded in the true gospel, Do not be easily influenced by popular teaching, Guard the message you preach.”

CONCLUSION:

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE?

1. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE CORE OF THE GOSPEL IS JESUS DIED, WAS BURIED, AND ROSE AGAIN ON THE THIRD DAY.
2. THE MESSAGE WE SHARE SHOULD BE THE PROBLEM, THE CONSEQUENCE, THE SOLUTION, AND THE RESPONSE.
3. THE HEART OF THE MESSENGER MUST HAVE COMPASSION LIKE JESUS.
4. DEPEND ON THE HOLY SPIRIT NOT ON YOUR ABILITY.

CONCLUSION:

5. BE WISE IN THE WAY YOU ACT TOWARDS THE OUTSIDERS.
6. YOUR STORY IS A POWERFUL TOOL.
7. WE ARE CHRIT'S AMBASSADORS.
8. WE NEED TO REMEMBER THAT NO OTHER GOSPEL AT ALL.

CONCLUSION: GALATIANS 1:8-9

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