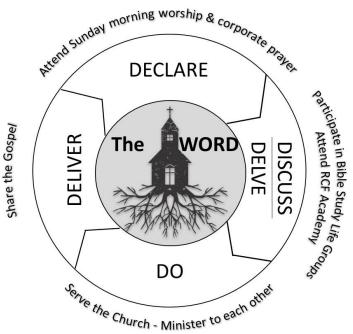


### Introduction

In RCF's discipleship model (see below), this course lays the foundation for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to purposefully and proactively share the gospel with family, friends, neighbors—whomever God places in our path.



Not only is this course about learning the theology of evangelism, it's about \_\_\_\_\_\_.

what is the scariest first skill you learned as a child?

My goal after you complete this course, is to make you \_\_\_\_\_ riders. Not Tour de France qualifiers, but good enough to get to the park and back.

## **Outline**

- Brief overview
- Walk from Genesis to Revelation to get the big picture

of what God is doing in history and how it relates to evangelism.

#### **Overview**

#### **Class Order and Titles**

- 1. Introduction / Course Overview / God's Purpose
- 2. Definitions / Essential Components of the Gospel
- 3. God's Sovereignty and Man's Responsibility in Evangelism
- 4. Getting Started Intentional Strategy in Evangelism
- 5. *Coming Home* Gospel Presentation Framework Parts 1 3 God: Our Owner, Father, Judge; Godcentered Living: Two Rules of the Road—Law and Love; Self-centered Living: Separated and Enslaved
- 6. *Coming Home* Gospel Presentation Framework Parts 4 5 Jesus Christ: The Way Back to Life; Our Necessary Response: Coming Home to Jesus
- 7. Next Steps for the Professing Believer
- 8. Handling Common Objections
- 9. \* Advanced Tactics in Handling Objections to the Gospel Part 1
- 10. \* Advanced Tactics in Handling Objections to the Gospel Part 2

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11. \* Creating a Culture of Evangelism in the Church

Appendices for Further Self Study or Possible Presentation

- \* Contextualize the Gospel Jews
- \* Contextualize the Gospel Roman Catholics
- \* Contextualize the Gospel Muslims
- \* Contextualize the Gospel American Cults: Mormon, Jehovah Witness, Christian Science, Seventh Day Adventist
- \* Contextualize the Gospel Atheists, Satanists, Neo-pagans, Mystics

### The Big Picture from Scripture

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Genesis 1:1. Who is this God who created?	
What are His characteristics?	
The reason the Bible says that God created all things:	
(Isa. 43:7)	
Genesis 1:26 and 2:7-9.	
God created people in His	
Their relationship with God was one ofGenesis 2:16-17.	_ and
Genesis 2:25.	
The world was a world of	
Genesis 3:1-6.	
A new character is on the scene:	
They ate what God told them not to. They	_ God.
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<sup>\*</sup> signifies possible future course modules

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Just like God promised, they Sin entered in and every aspect of their world was crushed.
Genesis 3:7-12.
Sin destroyed their relationship with Sin also destroys their relationship with
So, what should God have done right here?
Genesis 3:14-19:
God doesn't just them. He also gives them a
Look again at Genesis 3:15.
God promises to send a deliverer. One who will stand up to the enemy and defeat Him but in the process He will Himself be wounded. Sound familiar?
God gave them a picture to help them remember the promise. <b>Genesis 3:21</b>
How do you get garments of skin? Something has to  God strips off Adam and Eve's fig leaves of self-righteousness and clothes them with the blameless garment of one who in their place.
<b>Genesis 3:24</b> Who will the seed of woman be? What will He look like? How will we recognize Him? This is what the rest of the Old Testament is aboutanticipation
That's basically the OTGod patiently giving promises to His children so they will look with anticipation for their fulfillment
And thenat the fullness of time, God gave His Son to be born to the virgin Mary in the city of Bethlehem.
Jesus came and lived a life, He performed mighty miracles, he proclaimed God's kingdom and hope for those who would repent and believe in Him. But rather than embrace Jesus as their Lord, the religious leaders of the day ordered that He be put to
After Jesus died the curtain in the was torn in two. Through His death, the curtain is torn, the sword is removed and we can know our Creator again.

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Until that fateful morning when God rolled back the stone and Jesus from the dead!  After his resurrection He appeared for forty days to many and told His disciples that He was going away.  After saying these words, He to the right hand of the Father where He now intercedes on our behalf.
Ten days after Jesus' ascension came Pentecost where God gave to His disciples.
Following this they took the to the ends of the earth calling people to repent and believe in Jesus the promised Lord and Savior of the world.
Revelation 19:11-16: Jesus is coming to the world.
Revelation 20:11-15:
a day of is coming.
Revelation 21:1-6, 22:1-4:  We are back to We are once again face to face with our
Lessons We Must Remember
The purpose of history is to bring God glory.  (Isa. 43:7; 1 Cor. 10:31; Col. 1:16)
God is the <u>evangelist</u> , He delights in saving sinners.  (Lk. 19:10; 1 Tim. 1:15)
We have been entrusted with the honor and responsibility of proclaiming the gospel.  (Mt. 4:19, 28:18-20; Acts 1:7-8; 2 Cor. 5:16-21; 2 Tim. 4:5)
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## **Practice & Homework & Prayer**

Answer the question: What is the Gospel? Your answer should be more than "the good news!" Pray that God would

- 1) give you a heart for the lost;
- 2) grant opportunities to speak to people and share the gospel;
- 3) reveal three people in your life in which to share the gospel before this course concludes

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