

Witnessing to the Lord at All Times

Objectives

- ❖ To learn how to witness to the Lord
- ❖ To overcome obstacles and hesitancy in witnessing to the Lord

References

<http://www.stgeorge-lacopts.org/issue13.htm>

<http://www.momof9splace.com/beawitness.html>

Scriptural Verse

“For you will be witness to all men of what you have seen and heard” (Acts 22:15)

Introduction

A witness is someone who tells about an experience or an event that they have been through. Similarly, Christians tell about their experiences with God and the beauty of the relationship with Him. It does not need a scholar or a theologian to be a witness; it simply needs a Christian that experienced living with the Lord Jesus Christ through the word of God.

Lesson Outlines

We find that it is the power of the Holy Spirit to be a witness, and by your actions and words, people can see or NOT see the Lord Jesus! Let us see how!

1. By your Conduct! - You will no longer be doing the things you used to do! It will be obvious that you are a NEW creation... NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
2. By your Countenance! - Your face will look different! You won't look like a grouch, which is being a testimony without even a word being spoken! NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
3. By your Conversation! - i.e. your 'talk'! What and how you speak to others; whether it be family or strangers your conversations should be 'threaded' with the LORD! NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
4. By your manner in general. Your manner of life can 'speak' volumes. We should always be doing that which is right. NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
5. By our Clothing! - The Bible is VERY clear that we are not to cause others to stumble and fall into the sin of lusts. When someone looks at us -- they should see the Lord JESUS first! NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
6. By Control! - This world is out of control! We need to be IN control, our responses and manners from driving our cars, our music, sports, schooling... ESPECIALLY our emotions! We need to submit these emotions to God and have them under His control. NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
7. By our Conscience! A clear and responsive conscience to the work of the Holy Spirit will help us live a faithful and sincere life. NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!
9. By your Character! We need to build a Christian Character! (Yes, we carry over good traits from the way we were raised/trained as children but not a Christian Character). Let us look at Titus 2:11-12: “For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that: denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age”.

Grace is not an excuse to sin; it is there to teach us make God evident in our lives!
NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!

10. By your Church! - When people learn about the church you go to, they ought to say "Now that is a conservative church." That's right, you want to be as DIFFERENT from this world as possible! NOW THAT'S A WITNESS!

Conclusion

Through our own life, through preaching and teaching, we witness to the Lord. Our life is preaching, being humble and meek. The person can be a read and heard sermon. Life is a sermon. The holy person who teaches others may attract them through his own life. The command of God is not a heavy command.

Activities/Discussion Points

Divide the group into two to discuss the following two aspects:

1. Instances where we were given chances to witness but we didn't. How it happened and reasons for not witnessing.
2. Instances when we did witness to the Lord. How it happened and what were the consequences?