

## Sticky Group Discussion Questions for Sunday, January 18, 2015

### Part 2 : Being Yourself

1. How would you answer the question raised in the first video clip shown Sunday morning, “How do you get to heaven ?” Spend some time as a group discussing answers to that question and to other possibilities or objections people raise in relation to that question.

- “How do you get to heaven ?”
- “Isn’t living a good life good enough to get me there ?”
- “I don’t think anyone can be sure of going to heaven.”
- “I believe everyone will go to heaven.”

2. Take time to discuss the six styles of evangelism presented on Sunday. Re-read the Scripture passages that go with each style, and spend some time on each style discussing ...

- ... the characteristics of someone who possesses that style,
- ... the strengths and possible pitfalls of each style,
- ... examples in the Bible, history, or in the modern world of people with that style,
- ... whether or not God used that style of evangelism to bring you to faith in Christ.

Confrontational -	Acts 2:22-36	Peter
Invitational -	John 4:28-30	Samaritan woman
Intellectual -	Acts 17:19-32	Paul
Interpersonal -	Luke 5:27-29	Matthew
Serving -	Acts 9:36-41	Dorcas
Testimonial -	John 9:6-25	Blind man

3. Which style of evangelism seems to best fit your personality ? Why do you think so ? (If you would like, take the “Evangelism Styles Questionnaire” which is attached.)

4. What can you do – in the coming week, the coming semester, the coming year – to use, or to develop, your personal style of evangelism ?

5. Who is in your circle of friends, acquaintances, work colleagues, or family members that you’re praying for concerning their need for the Lord ? In other words, who’s on your “Impact List” ? Take time as a group to pray for some of those on your Impact Lists.

## Evangelism Styles Questionnaire

Record your response to each of the 36 statements below according to whether you think the statement applies to you ...

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| 3 | Very much   |
| 2 | Somewhat    |
| 1 | Very little |
| 0 | Not at all  |

- 1. In conversations, I like to approach topics directly, without much small talk or beating around the bush.
- 2. I have a hard time getting out of bookstores or libraries without getting a bunch of books that will help me better understand issues being debated in society.
- 3. I often tell stories about my personal experiences in order to illustrate a point I am trying to make.
- 4. I am a "people person" who places a high value on friendship.
- 5. I enjoy including or adding new people to activities I am involved in.
- 6. I see needs in people's lives that others often overlook.
- 7. I do not shy away from putting a person on the spot when it seems necessary.
- 8. I tend to be analytical.
- 9. I often identify with others by using phrases like "I used to think that too," or "I once felt the way you do."
- 10. Other people have commented on my ability for developing new friendships.
- 11. To be honest, even if I knew the answers, I am more comfortable having someone "better qualified" explain Christianity to my friends.
- 12. I find fulfillment in helping others, often in behind-the-scenes ways.
- 13. I do not have a problem confronting my friends with the truth even if it risks hurting the relationship.
- 14. In conversations, I naturally focus on the questions that are holding up a person's spiritual progress.
- 15. When I tell people of how I came to Christ, I have found that they have been interested in hearing it.
- 16. I would rather delve into personal life issues than abstract theological ideas.
- 17. If I knew of a high quality outreach event that my friends would enjoy, I would make a big effort to bring them.
- 18. I prefer to show love through my actions more than my words.
- 19. I believe that real love often means telling someone the truth, even when it hurts.
- 20. I enjoy discussions and debates on difficult questions.
- 21. I intentionally share my mistakes with others when it will help them relate to the solutions I have found.
- 22. I prefer getting involved in discussions concerning a person's life before dealing with the details of their beliefs.

- 23. I tend to watch for spiritually strategic events to bring people to (such as Christian concerts, outreach events, seeker services).
- 24. When people are spiritually closed, I have found that my quiet demonstrations of Christian love sometimes make them more receptive.
- 25. A motto that would fit me is : "Make a difference or a mess, but do something."
- 26. I often get frustrated with people when they use weak arguments or poor logic.
- 27. People seem interested in hearing stories about things that have happened in my life.
- 28. I enjoy long talks with friends.
- 29. I am always looking for a match between the needs and interests of my friends and the various events, books, etc, that they would enjoy or benefit from.
- 30. I feel more comfortable physically assisting a person in the name of Christ than getting involved in religious discussions.
- 31. I sometimes get in trouble for lacking gentleness and sensitivity in the way I interact with others.
- 32. I like to get at the underlying reasons for opinions that people hold.
- 33. I am still amazed at how God brought me to faith in Him, and I am motivated to tell people about it.
- 34. People generally consider me to be an interactive, sensitive, and caring kind of person.
- 35. A highlight of my week would be to take a guest with me to an appropriate church event.
- 36. I tend to be more practical and action-oriented than philosophical and idea-oriented.

Totals :

Confrontational : # 1 + # 7 + # 13 + # 19 + # 25 + # 31

Intellectual : # 2 + # 8 + # 14 + # 20 + # 26 + #32

Testimonial : # 3 + # 9 + # 15 + # 21 + # 27 + # 33

Interpersonal : # 4 + # 10 + # 16 + # 22 + # 28 + # 34

Invitational : # 5 + # 11 + # 17 + # 23 + # 29 + # 35

Serving : # 6 + # 12 + # 18 + # 24 + # 30 + #36