



Follow My Lead:  
The Art of Evangelism  
Video Series  
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# Syllabus

We are all commissioned to go share the gospel with others, but so often we just don't know exactly how to even begin the conversation with our friends, family and co-workers. These five lessons will show you how to relationally connect and engage in spiritual conversations and the gospel with the people around you as you walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

What you will learn through these five lessons:

- You will learn how to practically walk in the Spirit as you share the gospel with others.
- You will learn the foundation of what you need to communicate to know the gospel has been shared.
- You will learn how to break down thresholds to postmoderns who are not yet ready to accept the gospel.
- You will learn how to ask questions to get into spiritual conversations as well as how to discuss Jesus and the gospel.
- You will learn how to tell the story of the gospel in new ways.
- You will learn what it means to contextualize the gospel to your audience.
- You will learn how to enter into the pain of others' lives.
- You will learn how a surrendered life is essential for lives to be impacted around you.

Lesson 1: The Foundations of the Gospel  
*(Read Ch 1 & 10 prior to watching lesson 1)*

Lesson 2: Overcoming Barriers to the Gospel  
*(Read Ch 2 & 3 prior to watching lesson 2)*

Lesson 3: Practical Way to Sharing the Gospel  
*(Read 4-6, but especially 5 prior to watching lesson 3)*

Lesson 4: Asking Good Questions  
*(Read Ch 7 & 8 prior to watching lesson 4)*

Lesson 5: Bringing the Gospel to the Hurting  
*(Read Ch 9 & 12 prior to watching lesson 5)*

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# The Foundations of the Gospel

## Lesson 1

The Holy Spirit's role in our lives:

- He is part of the trinity. 2 Corinthians 13:14
- He personally interacts with us.
- He is the voice we here when God speaks to us.
- He is our helper in our time of need.
- He is our comforter in times of grief.
- He increases our faith.
- He gives us boldness and the words to speak.
- He convicts us of our sin and empowers us to overcome the flesh.
- He guides us on how to live this life for God's glory.
- He pursues the non-believer.
- He is the one who unveils their eyes to understand the gospel.
- He seals us the moment we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

Acts 1:8 ESV

- We need to first \_\_\_\_\_ to be His witnesses.
- We need to grasp the \_\_\_\_\_ that our life has on eternity.

Our life is but a dot on the never-ending line of eternity. Will you live this life for the dot, which is very short and temporary, or for the line, which is eternal?

- The Holy Spirit is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ we've ever been given; aside from the Word of God.
- We need to realize it is not a suggestion but an \_\_\_\_\_ to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

*"And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit."*

Ephesians 5:18 ESV

How are we filled with the Spirit to see lives changed around us?

1. Live a life of \_\_\_\_\_.

*1 Corinthians 6:19*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ to be filled.

Do you want to be empowered more consistently with the Holy Spirit? Pray for it.

*Luke 11:9-13*

What adventure might be waiting for you on the dot of your life as you say, 'Yes, Holy Spirit I want you to impact my life?'

What if only the days that we were filled with the Spirit really counted for eternity?

Pray for the Holy Spirit to fill you: Dear Father, I need You. I acknowledge that I have been directing my own life and that, as a result, I have sinned against You. I thank You that You have forgiven my sins through Christ's death on the cross for me. I now invite Christ again to take His place on the throne of my life. Fill me with the Holy Spirit as You commanded me to be filled, and as You promised in Your Word that You would do if I asked in faith. I now thank You for directing my life and for filling me with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Group Discussion:** Why do you think sharing the Gospel is intimidating or uncomfortable for you personally?

- What is successful evangelism? What's our part and God's part?
  - ▶ "Taking the initiative to share Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results to God." -Dr. Bill Bright
  - ▶ How does this definition encourage you as you desire to share Christ with others?
- What is our goal in sharing the gospel?
  - ▶ It's not to get people to heaven, or to get people out of hell, or to give them a hope of Jesus for this life here on earth, but God wants a \_\_\_\_\_ with us.

- The process of sharing the gospel:
  - It is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- We need to figure out, with the help of the Holy Spirit, what part of Jesus and the gospel will relate to the person we are sharing with.
  - What \_\_\_\_\_ you to Jesus?

**Group Discussion:** What attracted you to Jesus?

- Who did Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ to be? *(Read through the book of John to study this more clearly and take notes.)*
- Ask \_\_\_\_\_ to discuss the person of Jesus with others:
  - Do you come from any spiritual background?
  - How familiar are you with the person of Jesus? What do you think about Him? Are you very familiar with what He did with His life? What do you think attracts people to follow Jesus?
- Ask to share your \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ask \_\_\_\_\_ to discuss further.
  - May I share with you what has fascinated me the most about Jesus?
  - May I share with you how I came to have a deep connection and relationship with Jesus?
- What is the gospel? <sup>(1)</sup>
  - God loves you and created you to know Him personally.
  - Man is sinful and separated from God, so we cannot know Him personally and experience His Love.
  - Jesus Christ is God's only provision for man's sin. Through Him alone we can know God personally and experience God's love.
  - We must individually receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; then we can know God personally and experience His love.

**Action Steps:**

- This week practice giving each day to the Lord. Pray through your day and surrender it to Him. Ask for the Spirit to use you in the lives of others. Then listen for His voice and see what happens!
- Take time this week to think more about Jesus. Highlight or write down who Jesus said He was in the book of John.
- Dialogue with one or two people this week who are believers about why they are attracted to Jesus.
- Pray for opportunities to dialogue with someone about whom they think Jesus is.

**Resources:**

(1) [Know God Personally booklet](#)

[God Tools \(for smartphones only\)](#)









