

“Go Ye,” Means “Go Me”

(Matthew 28:19-20)

- Introduction:
1. As a whole, I don't believe the church has taken evangelism seriously.
 2. We've excused ourselves by blaming the lost.
 3. I believe that part of the blame rests upon us.
 4. Maybe by analyzing different styles of evangelism, we may discover that we can evangelize after all.
 5. There are at least six biblical styles of evangelism that we want to explore.

I. Confrontational Evangelism

- A. (Acts 2:36).
- B. Confronting a person with their sin and explaining the consequences and remedy for their sins can be very effective.
- C. (Acts 24:25).
- D. Jesus frequently used this method of evangelism (Matthew 15:1-9; 19:16-26).

II. Intellectual Evangelism

- A. (Acts 17:16-34).
- B. Christianity is a rational and intelligent religion that appeals to the intellect.
- C. Scripture presents several rational arguments in defense of the Christian religion.
 1. (Hebrews 3:4; Acts 17:29; 1 Corinthians 15:30).

III. Testimonial Evangelism

- A. Telling people what God has done for you is appropriate.
- B. (John 9:25-33).
- C. (Acts 22:1-23).

IV. Friendship Evangelism

- A. (Luke 5:27-32).
- B. Building relationships with people and creating friendships will open many doors.
- C. Sports, dinner, shopping, parties...all allow us to contact the lost while building relationships with them.

V. Invitational Evangelism

- A. (John 4:1-42).
- B. (John 1:43-51).
- C. A simple invitation has made the difference between Heaven & Hell for a lot of people.

VI. Service Oriented Evangelism

- A. (Acts 9:36-43).
- B. (Acts 4:36-37).
- C. Often, people won't listen to what we say until they see what we practice.

- Conclusion:
1. There really is no excuse for not sharing the message of Christ.
 2. We have at least six styles or methods from which to choose.
 3. Let's get serious about the great commission - "Go ye," really does mean "Go me."