

# Neighborhood Evangelism

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Everything in evangelism starts with **prayer**. You can't do anything without prayer.

## **N**ourish the heavenly vision

Acts 17:16-26

When you have a neighborhood full of people of different religions, be excited, those people are seeking God. God determined your time and habitation (Acts 17:26)

God put you in your neighborhood so that the presence of God would be there.

You shouldn't "smell" and act like the world, but like the nature of Jesus.

You are the person who is to declare to the people around the message of repentance.

Will you work your field? Your field is your neighborhood, your workplace, your family, etc. that God has placed you in.

## **E**valuate your neighborhood

Who are the Christians in your neighborhood? Spy out the land. Map it out and place the lights on your map. What kind of neighbors do you have? What are their issues?

- what ethnicities?
- the religious?
- The depressed?
- kids?
- the elderly?
- homosexuals?
- drug addicts?
- etc.

You bring the kingdom of God there.

## **I**ntercede for your neighbors

neighborhood prayer meeting

- neighbors
- schools
- shopping centers
- crime rate

Joshua 1:3 ~ pray for the Christians in your neighborhood, every place your sole treads. Pray over your neighbors. Pray for the Christians, pray for the people who are lost who will want to receive Jesus.

## **G**ather others to pray

Get a prayer partner (they don't have to live in your neighborhood). With a prayer partner its more fun, there is more accountability, its more exciting to do w/ someone else there.

## **H**ave compassion

Just reach out for them and love them regardless of who your neighbors are.

## **B**uild relationships

Build relationships with your neighbors. "I'm not giving up on them" attitude despite any hard hearts you encounter.

Earn the right to share the gospel. Many people will take their bible and beat people over the head with it the first time they meet them. But it may be more effective once you already have a relationship with them. Loving and caring people don't turn people off to Jesus. This is friendship evangelism.

## **O**pen your heart and your home

Every one of us has people with needs in our neighborhood. Have your neighbors over for tea and pound cake? Mary: One of the grand things about being 78 is that little old ladies inviting everyone over for cake doesn't intimidate people—use your circumstances to your advantage. Let them see there is something different about this house than theirs. One on one (friendship) is how most people come to Christ

Daniel 12:3 those who have insight, and lead people to righteousness...

## **R**ejoice with God

The most important thing is the presence of Jesus. Exodus 3:11 its about the presence of Jesus; Gideon, same thing. Who am I to do this? You might think. But Jesus will be with you.

Take quiet time and be saturated with God and then go out.