

Master Evangelism:
EVANGELIZING A 'SINNER'
John 4:1-42

We can learn from the Master a method for evangelizing a sinner

I. THE OFFER (7-14)

- Meet sinners in public places

A. STARTED WITH A CONVERSATION (7-12)

- It is really hard to share the gospel if you don't talk to people!

1. Jesus' Request (7)

2. The Women's Surprise (9)

3. Jesus' Answer (10)

- If you only knew about the gift of God, the Son of God and living water

4. The Women's Observation (11-12)

a. Note the questions

b. He's stirred her curiosity

B. MOVED TO A CONTRAST (13-14)

- Help them recognize their need

1. She has limited water (13) > It leaves you thirsting again

2. Jesus offers lasting water (14)

- Something satisfying, internal, eternal and needed

II. THE OBLIGATION (15-18)

- Lead sinners to an admission of sinfulness

A. HER DESIRE (15)

1. "Give me this water" > She's interested ... intrigued

2. She wants the practical convenience

B. CHRIST'S RESPONSE (16-18)

1. He is Purposeful

- People will see no need of a Savior if they sense no knowledge of sin!

2. He is Pointed: Calling sin, "sin"

3. He is Polite: Commending her honesty

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III. **THE OBSTACLE** (19-24)

- Sinners do not really understand the nature of God

A. HER CONDITION (19-20)

1. Aware (19) > He must be a prophet! (Only a prophet could know such things)
2. Planning (20)
 - a. I need to go somewhere! ... But where?
 - b. I need to do something! ... But what? ... Worship?

B. HER CORRECTION (21-24)

1. Your question is irrelevant (21)
2. Your worship is ignorant (22) > “You worship what you do not know”
3. Your efforts are useless (23-24)
 - Worship is not focused on a place but on a person and ones rightful perception of God

C. OUR RESPONSIBILITY

1. Get people to ask the essential question: How do I have a relationship with God?
2. Make them think about what they are trusting in
3. Make them consider the authority upon which they are trusting

IV. **THE OPPORTUNITY** (25-26)

- Present a Savior to the sinner

A. HER HOPE (25)

1. She has a head knowledge of the Messiah
2. She believes that someday the Messiah will make all of these things clear

B. CHRIST’S PROCLAMATION (26)

1. “I am the Messiah”
2. Not something future but right now
3. You need not wait - See II Corinthians 6:2

V. **THE OUTCOME** (27-42)

- Sinners will be affected by your efforts

A. SHE PROCLAIMED (28-29)

1. Excitedly: Come and see
2. Expectantly: Could this indeed be the Christ?

B. THE SAMARITANS CAME (30, 39-42)

1. Out of the city (30)
2. Because of the women (39)
3. To a personal belief in Christ (40-42)

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VI. AN OUTREACH: Sundae Service

- Here's how we can apply this

- A. GO TO A "WELL" AND PASS OUT ICE CREAM
- B. HAND PEOPLE THE "SUNDAE SERVE" TRACT
- C. TAKE THREE SUNDAES THIS MORNING
- D. LISTEN FOR UPCOMING DETAILS ABOUT SUNDAE SERVE
NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

CONCLUSION:

Where is your well and who are you meeting there?

Are you seeking only water at your well or will you be a witness at the well?