

Resources for Personal Work

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Salvation – You cannot really win souls, all you can do is to give them the Gospel and allow the Holy Spirit to do His work. Remember people do not go to hell because of their sins, they perish because they have not taken Christ as Savior.

- Admit you are a sinner: Romans 3:23; Romans 3:9; Romans 11:32; Ecclesiastes 7:20; I John 1:8,10 – it is especially helpful to ask the person to define sin, if they have trouble ask them to name a sin they have committed. Remind them of the penalty for sin: Romans 6:23; Romans 1:32; Romans 5:12; Ezekiel 18:4,20; I Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 6:7.
- Believe the Gospel: A proper explanation of the Gospel includes both the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 15:3-4; II Corinthians 5:21; Isaiah 53:5-9; John 3:16; Romans 5:6,8; John 15:13; Romans 1:4; Romans 4:23-25. They must understand that Jesus took their penalty and God raised Him from the dead as proof His sacrifice was accepted.
- Call Upon the LORD: John 1:12; I John 4:2; Romans 10:9-11; Romans 14:11; Matthew 10:32; Acts 8:37; Acts 16:31. Prayer does not save, but it is helpful to get them to pray thanking God for His offer of eternal life and placing our faith in Him.
- Verses for assurance: I John 5:11-13; Romans 8:15-17; 2 Timothy 1:12; John 1:12; John 3:15.

Never leave a person until they are certain their faith is in the Lord Jesus Christ alone and not in their feelings. Salvation does not depend on the quality of faith or its quantity but where it has been placed – in Christ alone!

Steps to Victory in the Christian life

- Salvation is settled, but fellowship must be maintained by confession of sin daily. I John 1:9 keeping short accounts of sin allows for continual fellowship.
- Reading your Bible daily helps you grow. I Peter 2:2. I recommend starting with I John, the Gospel of John, and II and II John. Also read Proverbs and Psalms.
- If Bible reading is God speaking to you, prayer is you speaking to God. Philippians 6:18
- You should confess your faith by following the Lord in believer's baptism and join a Bible preaching church. Acts 2:41-42
- Above all, obey the Word of God. God will help you learn more if you are willing to obey the Word you already know.
- Make sure they have a Bible and write the date of their new birth in the flyleaf. Offer to disciple them or get them to someone who can. Never leave a spiritual baby on the doorstep of the church.

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