

Be The One

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1. Believe in the power of the One (Rom. 1:16)

We must decide on what to do with Jesus Christ. Depending on our response, our destiny is judgment or salvation; damnation or deliverance, Hell or Heaven. The difference is the power of the gospel to save through Jesus Christ.

The gospel delivered us from the clutches of sin's dominion. The gospel saved us from the enemy's deceitful tactic of saying there is no other option to life. The gospel removed us from the slave market of sin and transferred us into the kingdom of Jesus Christ. It was the Power of the One, Jesus Christ, who saved us.

Action: It would do us well to remember the power of the gospel in our own life. This should cause us to wake up every day looking for witnessing opportunities.

2. Use that Power to Reach One (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8)

Action: Find an opportunity to give the Gospel. Speak it. Write it in a letter/card. Give a gospel booklet or tract. Offer a Bible. Offer to pick someone up for church. Find a way to serve others thus opening the door to witnessing. Live a gospel-centered life that someone wants to ask, "What is different about you?"

3. Benefit one so that they may see the light (Eph. 2:10).

Whatever is in your hand, serve God wholeheartedly with it!

God used ordinary people with unique personalities and skills to impact those around them and further His kingdom.

We can say that they used their God-given talents, interests, and abilities to impact those around them and for His glory.

God has a knack for taking our ordinary strengths and abilities and molding them into usability for the kingdom.

What is needed from us? A willingness to be used and to listen to the call of God.

If your idea of serving is to avoid opportunities to serve, that is counter to Jesus Christ's life on the earth. If you close your eyes and heart to the world around you, you are not in the place of being used by God to impact those around you and point them to Jesus.

When we pray for opportunities, they will come to us. Many people are hurting and we have the answers. We may stumble with our words, we may not always have the best answers, we may miss opportunities, but God uses simple people with simple hearts and simple minds to do extraordinary things for Him.

Where are your talents? Can you use them to meet people? Can you use them to point people to Christ? Can you befriend those who share your talents? Peter struggled at times with his mouth and with the way he came across. All of us have shortcoming and rough edges, but God is in the business of working on those things and with a willing heart, you too can make an eternal difference in your community.

Action: One of the most productive ways to share the gospel is by serving others through work, prayer, or time. The amount of open doors to gospel witness is infinitely more when we serve the brokenhearted, the downcast, and the hurting. We have the answers. Living out the gospel is not enough though. We must tell them the gospel.

Conclusion

When was the last time you gave a gospel witness to someone? Be the One. Take One opportunity. Give One tract. Serve One outside the church. Be the One to show the sin-forgiving, life-changing, eternally-impacting gospel message to someone!