The Movement Church Of San Antonio

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Training Manual

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Part 1- How To Share Your Faith

Examples in the Bible provide us with key elements to include in our Gospel presentation. In the table below, Paul's presentation in Acts 17 has already been completed. Take time to examine Acts 2 to discover Peter's key elements. Also look at the key elements in 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Fill in the last two columns.

| Key Elements of the Apostles' Gospel Presentation | | | | | |
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| Acts 17: 22-31 | Acts 2:14-39 | 1 Cor. 15:1-11 | | | |
| God is described as: | | | | | |
| Creator and Lord of all (v.24-26) | | | | | |
| Alive and the giver of life (v.27-29) | | | | | |
| Judge of all through Christ (v.30-31) | | | | | |
| Savior by Christ's death and resurrection (v. 31) | | | | | |
| One who demands repentance (v. 30) | | | | | |

My Story: ONE-ONE-ONE

One Story: Use the table on the following page to write your story. It is divided into three parts: First, before Jesus' rule in your life. Second, how you received His forgiveness for your sins and asked Him to rule in your life. Third, how you have changed since you surrendered to Him.

One Minute: Share your story in one minute or less. Imagine sitting in 3 chairs for 20 seconds each. Each chair represents 1/3 of your gospel presentation.

One Question: Ask the person you're sharing with this question: Do you want Jesus to call all the shots in your life? This one question is the essence of the good news.

Key Elements In My 1-1-1 Gospel Presentation

(Reference Verses: Rom. 3:23, 5:8, 6:23, 10:9-10; John 3:16)

| My Life Before Jesus | How I Received Jesus | My Life After Jesus |
|--|---|---|
| (Focus on one word, e.g.: anger, confusion, frustration, fear, etc.) | (What was the Holy Spirit doing in my life at that time?) | (Describe one word, e.g.: joy, peace, etc.) |
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Make sure you ask the question, "Do you want Jesus to call all the shots in your life?" If they say, "Yes," let them pray to receive Jesus at that moment. If they say, "No," ask the question, "When can we meet again and continue this spiritual conversation?"

His Story: The Two Kingdoms - Explanation

The church is a part of the Kingdom of God. God's Kingdom is everywhere God rules and reigns. His domain spreads from the hearts of men to the heights of heaven. It encompasses frail men and women with earthly bodies to spiritual beings that have no physical presence whatsoever.

The devil, otherwise known as Satan, has his own kingdom, and he is the head of it. Satan is presently called *the god of this world*, 2 Cor. 4:4. In Matt. 12:26, Jesus referred to Satan's kingdom when He said, *And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?* This is not the only time that Jesus referred to the devil's kingdom. There are other examples in Scripture as well:

John 12:31 (NKJV) "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out.

1 Cor. 4:4 (NIV) The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

God has permitted Satan to have limited dominion over this world. This fact was demonstrated when Satan tempted Jesus in the wilderness. The devil offered all the kingdoms of the world to Jesus Christ:

Luke 4:5-7 (NIV) ⁵ So he [Satan] took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ The Devil said to Him, "I will give You their splendor and all this authority, because it has been given over to me, and I can give it to anyone I want. ⁷ If You, then, will worship me, all will be Yours."

Satan's primary objective is to prevent people from understanding the gospel message and to keep them from being saved. He works tirelessly to blind and deceive those who are far away from God. He will even go so far as to offer them a heavenly way to go to hell. This is the devil's great deception.

2 Cor. 11:3 (NIV) But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.

Satan counterfeits the gospel by offering people a substitute called religion. All major religions outside of Christianity are based on man's efforts to please God and earn salvation. Christianity, however, is not a religion. It is simply a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Eph. 2:8-9 (NIV) For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

Satan wants people to believe that they can earn eternal life by doing good deeds. God's plan of salvation is the exact opposite of religion. God offers salvation based solely on the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The message of salvation is not based on religion, human efforts or personal merit. It is based entirely upon the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross of Calvary. Therefore, the true message is simple. God has done the hard part. Our part is to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior through faith!

John 3:16 (KJV) For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

His Story: The Two Kingdoms – 1Minute Presentation

After you have memorized "Your Story" and are able to share it in one minute, memorize "His Story" of the "The Two Kingdoms. Learn to do this in one minute as well. Let the Holy Spirit guide you as to which presentation you share with people who are far away from God.

Two Kingdoms:

There are two kingdoms—The kingdom of Darkness and the Kingdom of God. Most people think they are in a "middle kingdom," but there are only two: the kingdom of darkness and The Kingdom of God.

Two Kings:

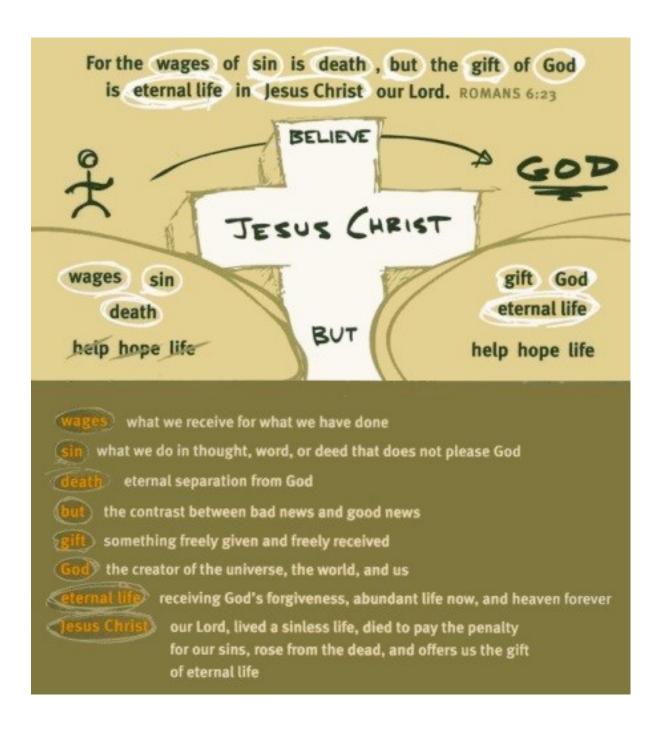
Satan rules in the kingdom of darkness. But, he will let you rule as well. That's his great deception. When you are the king, you are really in Satan's kingdom. In the Kingdom of God, there's only one King: Jesus. No one else may rule in His Kingdom.

One Question:

Finally, ask the person which kingdom they're in. If they are in Satan's kingdom, ask them if they want Jesus to be their King. If they are in Jesus' Kingdom, ask them to join you in sharing this message.

One Verse Gospel Presentation

The following presentation works well if you are in a restaurant or a similar setting where you can draw this presentation out on a piece of paper. Learn this method only after you have mastered "Your Story" and "His story."



Your "Oikos" – The People With Whom You Have Influence

| List your "lost" oikos, i.e. | "the people you | u know who are far from God? | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--|---------|
| 1 | 4 | 7 | |
| 2 | 5 | 8 | |
| 3 | 6 | 9 | |
| ones whom you think Goo | d is moving in th | them daily, and share your testimony their lives. Person Of Peace Study | |
| | How to find t | the House of Peace | |
| Read Luke 10: | :1-11 and Matth | new 10:5-14 (Mark 6:1-7, Luke 9:1-6) | |
| What did the disciples | do? | What did the disciples | not do |
| What happen betweer | | ng of the 12, and Luke 10, sending of the difference? | the 72? |
| How can we apply | the House of Pe | Peace to your neighborhood or target a | rea? |

Characteristics of the House of Peace:

What the disciple does:

Luke 10:

Luke 10:

- V. 5- opens his door to you
- V. 6- receives your blessing, shows interest
- V. 7- opens his house to you/hospitable
- V. 7- offers to sustain you in some way
- V. 2- prays for laborers
- V. 3- goes with danger all around
- V. 4- leaves behind bags
- V. 4- does not waste time
- V. 5- gives greeting
- V. 6- if favorable response, give blessing
- V. 7- fellowship with them
- V. 9- ask God for healing where needed
- V. 9- minister to them
- V. 9- proclaim the words of the Kingdom

Matthew 10:

Matthew 10:

- V. 13- he is worthy
- V. 13- has influence in his home
- V. 14- receives you
- V. 14- hears your words

- V. 5-6- goes where God sends
- V. 11- inquire/search/identify
- V. 11- spend time with the candidate
- V. 12- give greeting
- V. 13- gives blessing
- V. 14- proclaim the words of the Kingdom
- V. 14- Be bold and truthful

SUMMARY

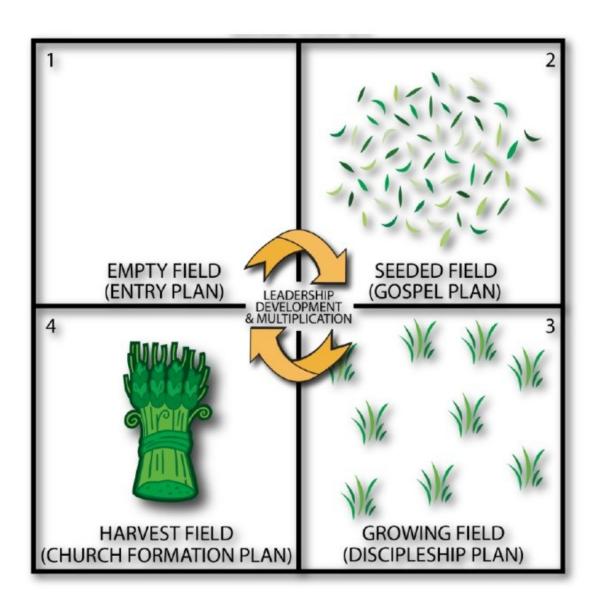
- 1) Pray for laborers.
- 2) Go where God sends you.
- 3) Enter a place or area proclaiming the Kingdom.
- 4) Do not waste time.
- 5) Inquire with discernment.
- 6) Visit the House of Peace candidate, engage him and family if possible.
- 7) Give greetings/ask spiritual interest questions.
- 8) If favorable response, give blessing and ask evangelistic questions.
- 9) Stay with the House of Peace.
- 10) Fellowship with them/discern.
- 11) Minister to them.
- 12) Always be bold and truthful.

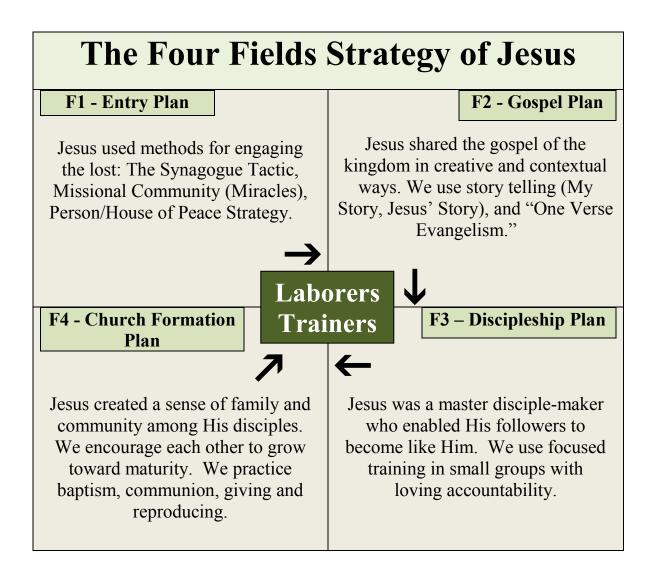
References to House of Peace in Acts: Acts 10: 9-48; 16:13-15; 16: 25-34; 18:5-11

Part 2- How To Train Others

The Four Fields of Kingdom Growth

Mark 4:26-29 (NIV) ²⁶ He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷ Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. ²⁸ All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. ²⁹ As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."





Trainers / Laborers:

- 1^{st} Generation Trainers: People who can reproduce the process and other disciples.
- 2^{nd} Generation Trainers: People who can train others who train others.
- 3^{rd} Generation Trainers: People who can train others who train others to train others.

<u>Multi-Generational Trainers</u>: Key individuals who can start Church Planting Movements.

TRAINING FOR TRAINERS (T4T) 3/3's PROCESS 2nd Third: Look Up 3rd Third: Look Ahead 1st Third: Look Back 1. Pastoral Care: How 6 Practice:* 5. New Lesson: are you doing? Practice the lesson or Train with enough Bible story until everyone is content to obey and pass 2. **Prayer:** Praise God and confident and competent pray for people who are on to someone else. to apply the learning. far from God. For example: They can a. Short term retell the story, they can 3. Application Goals:* discipleship tell their story, or they can tell the Jesus' story. a. Following: • 7 Stories of Hope • How did you obey Sharing your story 7. Goal-Setting:* the lesson from and Jesus' story the last session? 7 Commands of Set goals to shoot for Christ between this session and b. Fishing: the next in the areas of • Did you pray with b. Long term following (obeying) and anyone who was discipleship fishing (sharing). in need of a miracle? Discovery Bible 8. Prayer:* • Did you share Study using Have as many as would your story and/or "Head, Heart like to pray offer up a Jesus' story? Hands" or "Sword commissioning prayer • Did you find a of the Spirit" over the goals everyone House of Peace? questions. set in the areas of Movements following and fishing. 4. Vision-Casting* Strategy Reaching people far T4T Process from God and making disciples

- If your time is short, make it a priority to cover the sections with an asterisk.*
- Read over the outline above, then put it aside and see how much of it you can reproduce from memory.

The Bible Studies

"The Seven Stories of Hope" and "The Seven Commands of Christ" are a series of Bible studies that use the 3/3's process of T4T. The stories of hope are designed for people who are far away from God. The commands of Christ are designed for new believers or those believers who want to begin a Great Commission lifestyle. To access the lessons, click on the links below or visit www.mychurchmovement.com

The Seven Stories of Hope

- 1. Jesus Forgives A Prostitute
- 2. The Religious And The Sinners
- 3. Zacchaeus
- 4. The Woman At The Well
- 5. The Road To Emmaus
- 6. A Miracle For The Blind
- 7. The Spreading Of The Good News

The Seven Commands Of Christ

- 1. Repent And Believe
- 2. Abide
- 3. Disciple
- 4. Baptize
- 5. Assemble
- 6. Give
- 7. Persevere

Two Reproducible Bible Study Methods #1 "The Sword of the Spirit"

Hebrews 4:12 (NIV) "For the Word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

This picture of a sword helps us teach any passage of Scripture. When we think of a sword we think of 6 questions we need to ask.

The arrow that points **up** is for God:

What do we learn about God?

The arrow that points down is for man:

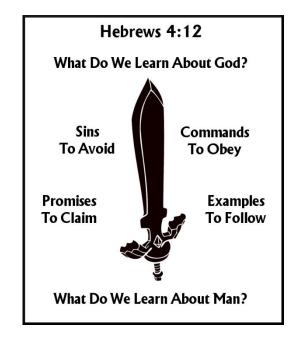
What do we learn about man?

The first blade:

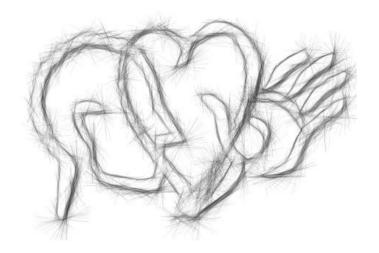
Are there sins to avoid?
Are there promises to claim?

The second blade:

Are there commands to obey? Are there examples to follow?



After reading or telling any story from the Bible, ask these 6 questions one at a time. Search the story for answers. What you will discover will reveal the meaning of the story (His Story) for our lives.



#2 "Head, Heart, Hands"

Getting to know God on an intellectual level - Head Getting to know God on an emotional level - Heart Getting to know God on a practical level - Hands

1. How To Ask Head Questions: (Intellect)

<u>Key Fact</u>: Jesus knew the Father intellectually better than anyone else...

Matt. 22:29 Jesus replied, "You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God."

Asking Head Questions: (Summary & Facts)

- 1) What are the facts?
- 2) What happened?
- 3) What do you think?

- 4) Who are the characters?
- 5) When did this take place?
- 6) Where did this take place?

2. How To Ask Heart Questions: (Emotions)

<u>Key Fact</u>: Jesus was a man of emotion and lived them out appropriately in His relationship with the Father and people. Examples:

Joy - John 15:9-11 Sorrow - John 3:5 Compassion- Matt. 15:32 Love - John 11:3-5 Anger - John 2:15-16 Peaceful - John 16:32-33

Primary Emotions: Joy, Sadness, Anger, Surprise, Curiosity, Fear, Guilt, Excitement

Asking Heart Questions: (Put Yourself in the Story Emotionally)

- 1) What emotions are specifically mentioned in the story or passage?
- 2) What do you think each of the characters felt?
- 3) How does this story or passage make you feel?

<u>Note</u>: A lot of people want to stay away from this. They don't want to acknowledge their emotions. They want to be the John Wayne of spirituality. First, that's not reality. Second, it doesn't work.

3. How To Ask Hands Questions: (Response)

Key Fact: Jesus knew the Father on a very practical and application oriented level...

John 5:19 (NIV) Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

John 14:31 (NIV) But he (the Holy Spirit) comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me.

Asking Hands Questions: (Obedience & Application)

- 1) How will you respond to what God has taught you? Example: Do you want Jesus To enter your life and control it like He did in the story we just read?
- 2) What are <u>you</u> going to do about it? Example: Are you willing to share your story in conjunction with the story we studied?
- 3) What are we going to do about it?
- 4) What is your application goal for next week? Example: Will you make a list of the people you could share your story with? Write down as many people as possible.

Application Goals: Three Characteristics

- 1) Measurable specific
- 2) Achievable realistic
- 3) Accountable evaluation