WHO'S YOUR ONE? ARE YOU READY?

JOHN 1:40-42; ROMANS 10:13-17; GALATIANS 6:9

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GREAT THINGS AWAIT.

John 1:40-42

One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴² He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

• Guiding your family and friends to Jesus is the most <u>helpful</u> thing you could ever do for them.

Romans 10:13-17

For "<u>everyone</u> who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴ How then will they <u>call</u> on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to <u>believe</u> in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to <u>hear</u> without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to <u>preach</u> unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷ So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

"<u>Everyone</u>" is made up of "<u>Ones</u>."

Galatians 6:9

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

• There will be a <u>harvest</u>...if you don't give up. Don't. Give. Up.

Transitions to Gospel conversations

- #SoFlo conversation starter: "Are you from Palm Beach County?"
- Are you connected to a local church?
- Would you consider yourself a spiritual person?
- Who is Jesus to you?
- Were you raised in a religious home?

<u>Remember</u>

- Your "One" may need to hear the Gospel 10x before believing and you may only be the 6th. Be faithful.
- We don't save anyone. Just be faithful to share about the One who can save anyone.

Responses to guide our friends to Jesus

- Objection: "There are no Christians in my family. My family's/culture's religion is..."
 - 1. Families love and want the best for each other. So, if your parents were not followers of Jesus, they would want you to follow Jesus now, if He is truly the Savior.
 - 2. How far back has your family/culture followed this set of beliefs?
 - 3. Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, cults, etc. have a start date. Original Monotheism goes back to the beginning.



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- Objection: "I'm not a church person. I'm not that into church."
 - 1. What is a "church person" to you?
 - 2. What do you think happens at church?
 - 3. Did a church leader or church offend you? People can let you down, but Jesus will never let you down.
 - 4. Hypocrites confirm Jesus' words (Matthew 7:21).
- Objection: "But I'm a good person!" Way of the Master: WDJD (What did Jesus do?).
 - 1. <u>W</u>ould you consider yourself a good person?
 - 2. Do you think you have kept the Ten Commandments?
 - 3. If you were Judged by the Ten Commandments, would you be guilty or innocent?
 - 4. Destiny: do you think you will go to heaven or hell based on that judgment?
 - 5. Do you know what God did so that you don't have to go to hell?
- How important are human rights to you? Human equality? If so, consider Jesus.
 - *Imago Dei*: All people are made in the image of God and have intrinsic value. Jesus shows us what this looks like.
 - Women are persons.
 - Children are persons.
 - All humans are persons.

<u>Options</u>

- Watch a William Lane Craig debate together. www.reasonablefaith.org.
- Bring someone to Grace this year: Will you be a Philip or an Andrew? #FriendDay (Sunday, February 16, 2020).
- Read through the Gospel of John together.
- Check in @gfwestpalmbeach online via social media.
- Share a sermon link: www.gogracefellowship.org/sermons.
- Invite one person to dinner this year (in your home or at a restaurant) and share your testimony/faith journey.

<u>Resources</u>

- Tactics: A Game Plan for Discussing Your Christian Convictions by Greg Koukl
- On Guard by William Lane Craig
- Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis
- The Case for a Creator by Lee Strobel
- The Case for Faith by Lee Strobel
- The Case for Christ by Lee Strobel
- 3 Circles Gospel Presentation: Download "Life Conversations" app
- Way of the Master by Ray Comfort
- Evangelism Explosion by D. James Kennedy
- Evangelism (9Marks) by J. Mack Stiles
- www.crossexamined.org
- www.gotquestions.org
- www.str.org (Stand to Reason)
- www.thepoachedegg.net
- www.oneminuteapologist.org