

HOW TO
SHARE
THE GOSPEL

Man-Centered Gospel

“Wouldn’t you want to know that you are going to heaven?”

“Jesus will give you peace/joy/fulfillment.”

“Jesus is the answer to all of life’s problems!”

“Jesus loves you the way you are!”

Man-Centered

View of God
Point of contact with non-Christians is love (God loves you). God's authority/ownership is blunted.

Love is God's chief attribute.

God responds to our decision.

God-Centered

Point of contact with non-Christians is creation (God made you). God has ownership rights over your life and destiny.

Justice and love are equally important attributes of a holy God.

We respond to God's invitation.

“For the few outspoken atheists we meet, we will encounter droves of people who use biblical words to which they attach their own definitions.”

- Metzger

GOD IS...

THE CREATOR

- God made you and has ownership rights over your life and destiny.
- He made you in His image and you are morally responsible to Him.

GOD IS...

HOLY

- God is set-apart from sin

“This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all” 1 John 1:5-6

GOD IS...

JUST

- God always acts in accordance with what is right and that He Himself is the standard of what is right.
- God must judge sin because He is good and righteous

“But the LORD sits enthroned forever;
he has established his throne for justice,
and he judges the world with righteousness;
he judges the peoples with uprightness”

Psalm 9:7-8

MAN IS...

- Guilty (sinful) & Enslaved

“Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to
Christ that we might be justified by faith.”

Galatians 3:24

MAN IS...

- Guilty (sinful) & Enslaved
- Unable to pay his debt

“Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.” Romans 3:19-20

MAN IS...

- Guilty (sinful) & Enslaved
- Unable to pay his debt
- Condemned

“And just as it is appointed for man to die once,
and after that comes judgment”

Hebrews 9:27

GOD IS...

- The Creator
- Holy (set-apart)
- Righteous/Just
- Love

“But God demonstrates His own love toward us,
in that while we were still sinners, Christ died
for us.” Romans 5:8

SALVATION...

- Through the life of Christ

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:1,14

SALVATION...

- Through the life of Christ
- Through the death of Christ

“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

2 Corinthians 5:21

SALVATION...

- Through the life of Christ
- Through the death of Christ
- Through the resurrection of Christ

THE CALL OF SALVATION

- By God's grace

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

Ephesians 2:8-9

THE CALL OF SALVATION

- By God's grace
- By Christ alone

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’”

John 14:6

THE CALL OF SALVATION

- By God's grace
- By Christ alone
- By Repentance

“The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.” Acts 17:30-31

THE CALL OF SALVATION

- By God's grace
- By Christ alone
- By Repentance
- By Faith

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16