

# EVANGELISM

**Literal Meaning:** To bring good news

**Description:** The gift of **Evangelism** is the divine enablement to effectively communicate the gospel to unbelievers to they respond in faith and move toward discipleship.

## **Distinctives:**

- Communicate the message of Christ with clarity and conviction
- Seek out opportunities to talk to unbelievers about spiritual matters
- Challenge unbelievers to faith and to become fully devoted followers of Christ
- Adapt their presentation of the gospel to connect with the individual's needs
- Seek opportunities to build relationships with unbelievers

## **Traits:**

- Sincere/Serious
- Candid
- Respected
- Influential
- Spiritual
- Confident
- Commitment-oriented

## **Cautions:**

- Need to remember the Holy Spirit, not guilt, is the motivator in a person's decision for Christ
- Should avoid becoming critical of others by remembering that we are all "witnesses," but we are not all "evangelists"
- Need to listen to people carefully, because the same approach is not appropriate for everyone

**Scripture References:** Ephesians 4:11; Acts 8:26-40; Luke 19:1-10

1. Do you enjoy being with non-Christians and sharing the gospel?
2. Are you able to effectively communicate to non-Christians in a language they can understand?
3. Does a person's conversion bring you profound joy?
4. Do you feel frustrated when you haven't shared your faith for a while?
5. Do you enjoy teaching others how to share their faith?
6. Do you find it easy to direct a conversation toward the topic of Jesus Christ?