

Evangelism 102

Exodus 5:1-21

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Introduction

- Last week we looked at what evangelism entailed: _____, _____, and _____.
- What we don't talk about when we talk about evangelism: what to _____.

Main Points:

1. Expect _____: people may not respond like we think or hope they will.
 - Pharaoh sets himself in opposition to _____ - I do not know God... (v.2).
 - 1Timothy 4.3-4
 - Remember: when people reject the Gospel they are rejecting God, not you. Pray for them. Be _____ and _____.
2. Expect _____: people will respond with confusing arguments.
 - Pharaoh tries to convince the Israelites that God has lied to them (v.9).
 - Deception is the _____ of the devil: The serpent in the Garden: did God really say...?
 - Sennacherib -- 2Kings 18.17-37 (v.25)
 - It's important to know what you _____: if you don't stand for _____ you can fall for _____.
3. Expect _____: being faithful to the call does not mean life will become easy.
 - Persecution follows the proclamation: the work was made harder and beatings followed (v.14).
 - 1Peter 4.12
 - Remember: if the world _____ Jesus it's unlikely to embrace you when you start _____ about Jesus.

4. Expect _____: sometimes opposition and criticism comes from within
 - Moses and Aaron get blamed; the Israelite foreman "found" Moses and Aaron and rebuked them (v.21)
 - Acts 5.27-40 - the apostles were _____ to stop speaking about Jesus -
 - Don't stop -- ⁴¹ *The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name.* ⁴² *Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah.—Acts 5.41-42*

Conclusion

- We are all called to be _____ for Christ (2Cor. 5.20)
 - Don't take rejection _____
 - You need to be a _____ before you can make _____ - know what you believe.
 - Don't be _____ if life gets harder.
 - Don't get _____ if you don't get the support you expect.

Keep going - the world doesn't need more Canada; it needs more Jesus

"We email, Facebook, tweet and text with people who are going to spend eternity in either heaven or hell. Our lives are too short to waste on mere temporal conversations when massive eternal realities hang in the balance. Just as you and I have no guarantee that we will live through the day, the people around us are not guaranteed tomorrow either. So let's be intentional about sewing the threads of the gospel into the fabric of our conversations every day, knowing that it will not always be easy, yet believing that eternity will always be worth it."
— David Platt, *Follow Me: A Call to Die. A Call to Live.*