

STANDARD PRACTICE OUTLINE WEEK #8

INTRODUCTION

- Casual Conversation
- Engaging Questions
- Suggested Transition
- Launch Question (1-10 Question)
 - John 10:10
- Testimony (God or Salvation story)
- Transition: “May I ask you a question?”

Two Diagnostic Questions

- #1 - “Have you come to the place in your spiritual life where you know for certain that if you were to die today you would go to heaven?”
 - 1 John 5:13
 - “May I share with you how I came to know for certain that I have eternal life and how you can know also?”
 - “Before I share with you, let me ask you another question...”
- #2 - “If you stood before God and He asked you, ‘Why should I let you into My heaven?’ what would you say?”
 - Repeat and confirm answer
 - Transition: Good News

GOSPEL

GRACE

- Heaven is a free gift
 - Romans 6:23
- It is not earned or deserved
 - Ephesians 2:8-9
 - Friend’s Gift
 - Transition: “So, why can’t we earn eternal life? Because of what the Bible teaches about . . .”

MAN

- Man is a sinner
 - Romans 3:23
 - Sin Defined
- Man cannot save himself
 - Matthew 5:48
 - Bad Egg Illustration
 - Transition: “So, why can’t we save ourselves? Because of what the Bible teaches about . . .”

GOD

- God is merciful - therefore does not want to punish us.
 - 1 John 4:8b
- God is just - therefore must punish sin.
 - Exodus 34:7b
 - Bank Robber story
- Transition: “We have a problem, but God solved this problem in the person of Jesus.”

CHRIST

- Jesus is both God and man
- John 1:1, 14
- He died on the cross and rose from the dead to pay the penalty for our sins and to purchase a place in heaven for us.
- Record Book of Sin story
- Isaiah 53:6
- Transition: “This gift is received through faith.”

FAITH

- Saving faith is not just Head Knowledge
 - James 2:19
 - Nor is it just Temporary Faith
- Saving faith is Trusting in Jesus Christ alone for eternal life
 - Acts 16:31
 - Boat story

COMMITMENT

Transition

- “Does this make sense to you?”

Commitment

- “Would you like to receive this free gift of eternal life?”

Clarification

- Admit...
- Believe...
- Commit...

Prayer

- “If this is what you really want, I can lead us in prayer and we can tell God what you just told me.”
- Pray for them - that God would give them faith and repentance
- Pray with them - in short phrases of the GOSPEL OUTLINE, allowing them to repeat after you
- Pray for them - that the Holy Spirit will grant them assurance

Assurance

- “I would like you to read something Jesus says about what you have just done.”
 - John 6:47
- Two diagnostic questions
- “Welcome to the family of God.”

IMMEDIATE FOLLOW UP

- Welcome... booklet
 - Read and sign “My Spiritual Birth Certificate”
- Five Means of Growth
 - Bible (7-day callback)
 - Prayer
 - Worship
 - Fellowship
 - Witness
- Appointment for church