

M3 – SHARING JESUS WORKSHOP

Scripture, Savior, Salvation

- 1) Acts 8:26-40 is a great overall template for this. Philip started with the Scriptures, then preached Jesus, then the Ethiopian eunuch was saved.
 - The goal in the conversation with the person is to get to the Scripture with them as quickly as possible.
 - From there, share Jesus.
 - Be sure to incorporate what it takes to be saved.
- 2) How to get an open door and have a conversation to move toward Jesus.
 - Find common or familiar ground:
 - Examples of possible conversation starters:
 - If they say they like to fish you could respond: “Oh, the pastor of my church (or some other church member) loves to go fishing. Do you have a church that you attend?” (Obviously, only say something like that if it is true!)
 - If they mention some tragic thing that happened in the news you could respond: “It’s just awful, isn’t it? What do you think was the root of that action? What is the true issue? What’s really interesting is that the Bible in Jeremiah 17:9 says, “The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?” What do you think about that?”
 - If you do something nice for someone and they thank you, you could respond: “You know, Jesus said, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ So, it was truly my pleasure!”
 - Etc.
- 3) If the conversation leads to the point where they are considering making a decision, include a statement about counting the cost of following Jesus (see Luke 9:23-24 and Luke 14:25-33). Let them know that, even though salvation is free, Jesus said following Him would cost everything, and ask them if they are ready to surrender all to the Lord. If the Holy Spirit is working in their hearts, then they will be ready to surrender all to Jesus.