

“ME” in Gospel Meetings

Acts 10:23-33

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Why Are We Having A Gospel Meeting?

- The church is *“the pillar and ground of the truth.”* 1 Timothy 3:15
- We are to *“speak the truth in love.”* Ephesians 4:15
- *“Go make disciples ...”* Matthew 28:19

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Some question effectiveness of meetings.

- Reflection on the power of the gospel (Romans 1:16; 2 Corinthians 10:4)
- People still respond (1 Corinthians 3:6-7)
- One of several means used to reach the lost (Bible Correspondence Course, Home Study, Radio, Tracts, etc.)

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Church Must Realize Its Responsibility.

- To its members. Ephesians 4:16
- Invite the lost, follow-up, and encourage. cf. Matthew 11:28; 9:36ff
- Emphasize Bible preaching. Jonah 3:1; cf. Matthew 12:41

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Each member do his/her part.

- Pray fervently. James 5:16; 1 Peter 3:12
- Attend every service. Hebrews 10:24
 - *“Thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty.”* 1 Samuel 20:18
- Arrive early! cf. Acts 10:33, *“Now therefore we are all here present ...”*
 - Cornelius was waiting for Peter. Verse 24

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- Invite the lost, follow-up, and encourage. cf. Matthew 11:28; 9:36ff
 - Cornelius had invited kinsmen and near friends. Acts 10:24
 - Andrew invited his brother, Simon. John 1:41-42
 - Samaritan woman invited the people of the city. John 4:29

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Each member do his/her part.

- Show hospitality. Romans 12:13; cf. James 2:1ff
- "We never get a second chance to make a good first impression."

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Each member do his/her part.

- Sing fervently. 1 Corinthians 14:15; Ephesians 5:19; Hebrews 13:15
- Listen carefully. Luke 8:18; cf. Mark 4:24; Acts 17:11

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➤ Gospel Message – Redemption / Salvation

- Power unto salvation (Romans 1:16-17)
- How we are saved (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)
- Peter's sermon – salvation from sin (Acts 2) "**Hear these words ...**"
- Paul's sermon on Mars Hill – salvation (Acts 17:22-31)

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- Peter's sermon to Gentiles (Acts 10:34-48)
- Paul's Sermon in Antioch on 1st Journey (Acts 13:16-41) "**Hearken ...**"
- Paul's parting from Miletus. (Acts 20:32)

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➤ View the world as lost in sin. Ephesians 2:1-2, 12

- All men are sinners (Romans 3:9, 23)
- Sin separates from God (Isaiah 59:1-2)
- If die in sin – hell. (Romans 6:23; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9)
- Reason Jesus came to earth (Luke 19:10)

Anyone who has not obeyed the gospel is lost in sin!

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➤ World is lost in sin ➤ How we view people of the world

- Good people
- Believe different than we do
- Focus on friendship, likeable, good moral qualities
- Little or no attention to the fact – they are LOST!

Maybe because our focus is on the here and now!

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➤ **Preparation (Colossians 3:23-24)**

- ❖ **What have I done?**
 - Pure life, good example in community
 - Invited, challenge, try and stir up
- ❖ **Exhort other members (Hebrews 3:13)**

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LESSONS PLANNED:

Sunday Morning 9:45 a.m. **“In the Name of the Lord”**
 Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m. **Church Of Christ FAC Sheet**
 Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m. **The Easter Story**
 Monday Evening 7:00 p.m. **The Cowboy Bible & the Plan of Salvation**
 Tuesday Evening 7:00 p.m. **A Christian’s View of the U.S.A.**
 Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. **Proverbs on Parenting**
 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. **“Speaking One to Another”**
 Friday Evening 7:00 p.m. **Rejoice!**

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Starts Next Sunday

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Effectiveness	Hospitality
Responsibility	Participate
Pray	Prepare
Attend	
Invite	

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