

Atmosphere of Evangelism (Kingdom)

reaching



lost people

- **Six Steps in Effective Evangelism - *Richard Colbrook***
- *“There exists in every church something that sooner or later works against the very purpose for which it came into existence. So we must strive very hard, by the grace of God to keep the church focused on the mission that Christ originally gave to it.” C.S. Lewis*
- ***Kalida Family Outreach - Loving God, Loving people –***
 - *Calling People to Christ,*
 - *Commitment to His Body,*
 - *Development of His Character,*
 - *Celebrating Him in word and deed.*
- **Changing the world begins with seeing people changed one person at a time!!!!**

6 Steps in Effective Evangelism

- ***C – Cultural contextualization***
- ***C – Conviction***
- ***C – Confident Expectation***
- ***C – Connections***
- ***C – Compassion***
- ***C – Continuation***

- **CULTURAL CONTEXTUALISATION**
 - **Jesus knew the culture he was coming into!**
 - **Taking actions with a specific(designed) Purpose**
 - **As Christians we can no longer assume that the lost people around us know very much about the message of the Christian faith.**

CONVICTION

- What are our own personal convictions about the need for personal salvation or the reality of heaven and hell? (**Clear Gospel**)
- Salvations need to be fought for. A lack of focus on salvation will result in a lack of salvations.

CONFIDENT EXPECTATION

- **Expecting God to move**, to save (call it faith or belief if you like) is absolutely essential.
- **Seeing it as Jesus sees it – the fields are ripe**
- Don't just talk to people, Pray for them and expect the Holy Spirit to move!

CONNECTIONS

- **Noticing other People** - Jesus modeled a lifestyle of noticing other people.
- **“Seeing” the Opportunity to Connect**
 - Expectant hearts and minds “see” opportunities of connecting with lost people
- **Being Intentional**
 - *Jesus was and is intentional* – he deliberately sets out to reach and save individuals.

COMPASSION

Matthew 9:35-38

Matthew 15:32-35

Mark 9:21-25

Luke 15:20-24

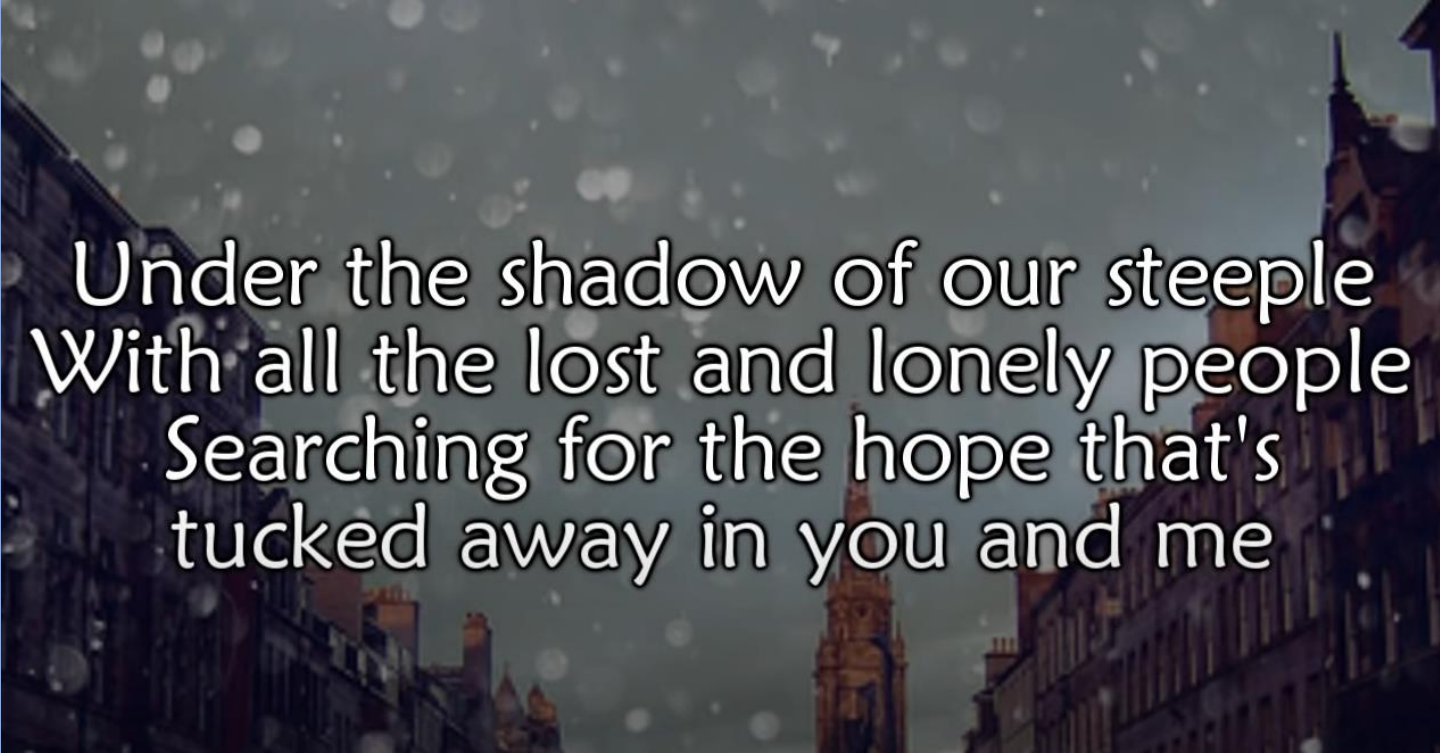
Matthew 14:13-17

Mark 1:40-43

Luke 7:12-15

The Compassion of Jesus

- Compassion prompts action
 - **Compassion** – a very strong emotion that always pushes a person to get involved.
- Compassion was inclusive
 - Matthew West – Truth Be Told
 - Casting Crown - Does Anybody Hear Her

A photograph of a city street with snow falling, overlaid with white text. The text reads: "Under the shadow of our steeple
With all the lost and lonely people
Searching for the hope that's
tucked away in you and me".

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- **Compassion and Caring**

- “You must have a real desire for the good of the people if you are to have much influence over them. Sit down with people and make yourself at home with them.”
Charles Spurgeon.

- **Sowing Seeds**

- There is often a temptation to dump a ‘tree of truth’ on a person rather than sowing a seed of truth. The former crushes, the latter brings revelation.

- **Asking Questions**

- Often in evangelism Christians talk too much! We need to listen more and talk less.

CONTINUATION

- *Continuing the journey towards salvation which lost people have already begun.*
- Most people are saved through a friendship with a Christian, sharing life with that Christian and, increasingly, by undertaking an intentional journey

- **And finally, Charles Spurgeon again,** “ ‘He that winneth souls is wise’, because he has selected a wise object. I think it was Michelangelo who once carved certain magnificent statues in snow. They are gone; the material readily compacted by the frost as readily melted in the heat. Far wiser was he when he fashioned the enduring marble, and produced works which will last all down the ages. But even marble itself is consumed and fretted by the tooth of time; and he is wise who selects for his raw material immortal souls, whose existence shall outlast the stars. If God shall bless us to the winning of souls, our work shall remain when the wood, and hay, and stubble of earth’s art and science shall have gone to the dust from which they sprang. In heaven itself, the soul-winner, blessed of God, shall have memorials of his work preserved for ever in the galleries of the skies.”