

Soul Winning

Introduction

What a wonderful privilege it is to know that we are saved! We have the truth, and we know we will go to Heaven when we die. Praise the Lord! However, there are many in our world who are not saved. Many people die and go to Hell each day. Some of these have heard the Gospel presented in a clear way and have chosen to reject it, while others die without having the privilege of hearing the Gospel preached clearly to them. We, as believers, must be active in spreading the good news of salvation to others. God's plan is for His disciples to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.

Let's look at what the Bible teaches about soul winning. Our lesson will answer the following questions:

- I. What is soul winning?
- II. Why should we go soul winning?
- III. Where do we go soul winning?
- IV. When do we go soul winning?
- V. Who should go soul winning?

I. What is soul winning?

1. Proverbs 11:30

Who is wise according to this verse? He that winneth

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This is not a Bible study on the meaning of Proverbs 11:30. However, this is a study of a Bible concept that our church and churches like ours refer to as “soul winning.”

As we have studied previously, those who have not put their faith in Jesus Christ have the wrath of God abiding on them. They are condemned already. Their souls are in danger. They are in need of a Saviour. The Bible teaches that we are responsible to communicate the message of salvation to the lost. This is what we refer to as “soul winning.”

Let’s look at several Bible passages now and find out what terminology or phrases that the Word of God uses for this concept that we call soul winning.

2. Acts 1:8

From this verse we see that God expects His disciples to be _____. A witness is one who openly professes his religious faith through words and actions.

What we call “soul winning,” the Bible calls “witnessing.” We use this term as well.

3. Read the following verses and fill in the missing words.

Acts 4:2, “...they taught the people, and _____ through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.”

Acts 5:42, “And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and _____ Jesus Christ.

Acts 8:5, “Then _____ went down to the city of Samaria, and _____ Christ unto them.”

Acts 9:20, “And straightway he _____ Christ in the synagogues, that he is the ___ of ___.”

Acts 10:42, “And he _____ us to _____ unto the people...”

Acts 11:20, “And some of them ...spake unto the Grecians, _____ the _____.”

Acts 16:10, “...assuredly gathering that the Lord had _____ us for to _____ the gospel unto them.

The common word for “witnessing” or “soul winning” used in these verses is _____-I-N-G.

To preach means “to proclaim.” The disciples boldly proclaimed the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In Conclusion: Soul winning is witnessing for Christ and preaching the message of salvation.

II. Why should we go soul winning?

1. Matthew 28:18-20

In verse 19, Jesus gives the commands to __, teach all nations, and to baptize. In verse 20, Christ adds the command to teach these converts to observe all that He has commanded us.

2. Mark 16:15

In this verse we are commanded to go into all the world and _____ the Gospel to every creature.

We should go soul winning in obedience to the command of God.

3. Luke 8:11-15

These verses give the meaning of the parable Jesus gave earlier in the chapter. The sower is the person who is spreading the Gospel. The seed is the _____ of _____. The four types of soil represent four types of people who hear the Gospel. Each person had to first HEAR the Gospel before they could choose to receive it or not. **A person must hear the Gospel in order to be saved.**

4. Romans 10:13-14

Before a person can believe on Jesus Christ for salvation, he must first HEAR the truth. The question is asked, "...how shall they hear without a _____?"

Others will not hear the Gospel and get saved unless we preach.

In Conclusion

1. We should go soul winning in obedience to the command of God.
2. We should go soul winning because others will perish unless we preach the truth to them.

III. Where do we go soul winning?

1. Acts 8:4

When persecution came to the church, the believers that were scattered went _____ preaching the word.

2. Acts 14:6, 7

Paul and Barnabas fled from Iconium because of the persecution. They went to Lystra and Derbe. “And _____ they preached the Gospel.”

In Conclusion: We are to go soul winning everywhere that we go.

IV. When do we go soul winning?

1. Acts 5:42

In this verse the disciples taught and preached about Jesus Christ daily. They did not _____ (stop) from preaching and teaching. **We should be soul winners at all times.**

2. Romans 1:15

The Apostle Paul was ready to _____ the Gospel to those in Rome. He was mindful that there were people there who needed to hear the Gospel. **We are to be soul conscious. To be soul conscious is to always be mindful of lost souls who need to hear the Gospel.**

➤ **A Christian’s entire life should be dominated with the thought of getting others saved.**

- **A Christian should be constantly looking for opportunities to witness of his faith.**
- **Witnessing should not be a job that a Christian performs. Witnessing should be a lifestyle.**

In Conclusion: We should be soul winners all the time. We should be mindful of the lost souls all around us who need to hear the Gospel.

V. Who should go soul winning?

1. Acts 4:31

This verse states, “they were ___ filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.”

We can safely assume that the “they” who spake the Word of God with boldness are exactly the same “they” as those were filled with the Holy Ghost. That is, ALL spake the Word of God with boldness.

Soul winning is for every believer.

2. Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15

These commands are for each believer. Soul winning is not a calling that God tells a select few to do. Soul winning is the responsibility of each child of God.

In Conclusion: If you have believed on Jesus Christ for salvation, then you are to go soul winning. Each _____ has been commanded by God to go and preach the Gospel.

REVIEW – Soul Winning

I. What is soul winning?

- A. According to Acts 1:8, God wants His disciples to be _____.
- B. The common word for soul winning or witnessing in the New Testament is _____.
- C. Therefore, soul winning is _____ and _____ the Gospel.

II. Why should we go soul winning?

- A. In Mark 16:15 we are commanded to go into all the world and _____ the Gospel to every creature.
- B. Before someone can choose to believe on Christ for salvation, he must first _____ the truth.
- C. We should go soul winning because _____

III. Where do we go soul winning?

- A. In the New Testament, believers went _____ preaching the Gospel.
- B. As believers, where should we go soul winning?

VI. When do we go soul winning?

- A. We should be soul winners at _____ times.

B. Christians should constantly be looking for opportunities to _____ of their faith.

V. Who should go soul winning?

A. The commands given in Matthew 28:18-20 and Mark 16:15 are for each _____.

B. Soul winning is the responsibility of each child of _____.

Assignment: Choose at least 2 of the following verses, memorize them, and say them to your teacher.

- Proverbs 11:30
- Acts 1:8
- Acts 5:42
- Romans 10:14

Application: What will you do based on the truth you learned in this lesson?

Your name: _____

Name of teacher: _____

Signature of teacher: _____

Date completed: _____