

“Raising the Bar – Share”

We’ve Got Good News!

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Communicating Christ is not simply a Redeemer expectation.

Acts 1:1-5 _____ the process.

- Ephesians 2:17
- Jesus is still working - He is just working through a _____.

Acts 1: 6-9 _____ the baton to imperfect people.

- “but you” are now “it”

Acts 1:10-11 _____ into action.

- We are now the imperfect people called to the awesome task of communicating the story and message to those around us.
- This calls for both _____ and authority.

How do we proceed? Some Key Components

Aware We need to be aware that:

- People are in _____ trouble
- Many good people are relying on inadequate _____

- Jesus has given us this _____ / _____
- Our life needs to _____ our words (II Corinthians 4:7)
- “_____” can be a noun or a verb
- The great majority of people around us do not go to church regularly
- Coming to Christ is often a _____, not an event
- Redeemer’s base strategy for _____ is “us”

Committed We need to be committed to:

- Overcoming the reality many good people don’t understand Jesus
- Overcoming a lack of _____
- Overcoming the _____ that we might not have all the answers
- Overcoming spiritual _____

It will be worth it.

Obedient We need to be obedient:

- _____ - The Holy Spirit is with us (Luke 12:11-12)

Wrapping Up

- _____ it out
- Romans 10:14-15
- Check your _____
- Pray for someone and begin to develop a _____ with them

Talk It Over . . . with your friends, family, or Growth Group

Talking through the ideas presented in Sunday's message helps us apply God's word to our individual lives. These questions and thoughts are designed to help you put His words into action in your life this week.

What is your main “take-away” from this week? How do you plan to live that out?

What is an obstacle you have to overcome in telling friends about Jesus? Have you been able to overcome it? If so, how did you do it? If not, what is hindering you?

Joe mentioned that there are some things we need to be aware of as we think about telling people about Jesus. What are some things you think we need to be aware of?

Do you think it is important to tell others about the gospel? Why or why not?

Who are some people that were part of the “group” of people that led you to Christ?

How many people have you shared your “story” with?

Who would be the most difficult person for you to talk to - a friend, a family member, an acquaintance, a stranger, etc.?

Read over the various scriptures presented in this week's sermon and think about what God might be teaching you. (Note: these might be different than what was presented in the sermon.)

