

## **"EVANGELISM WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?"**

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Since I became a Christian on August 25, 1963, I have learned a great deal about many things. However, probably the **most important area of Christianity** which I have learned has been that God desires that I and every Christian be evangelistic minded. Satan would have us to be "Passing The Buck" and thinking that a church can hire a preacher to do all the evangelizing and that will take care of it. We should remember this is Satan talking and not God.

The Liberal Arts Colleges began in America to liberate or free people of ignorance of the sciences. This has helped many out of superstitious thoughts. If you recall, they bled our first President to death. Likewise, education of the Scriptures is needed for mankind to "Grow Up" in knowledge of the Word and in making one's life count. Sitting around and pointing out the faults of everyone else will not get the job done.

This world's population of over six billion with a daily increase of 254,000 (93 million yearly) is seeing a yearly increase to Christianity of only two million (under the umbrella of Christianity). The ratio of Christians is dropping constantly. In 1980 Christians made up only 8% of the world population. In 1990 it dropped to only 6% and then in the year 2,000 it dropped to only 2%. For every person being won to Christianity nine are being converted to Islam. Jesus said , "**I am the way, the truth, and the life, and no man comes to the Father, except through me**" (John 14:6). Yet the Christian community sits around and fusses over things that do not matter in God's sight. Satan is having a great day through it all. The BIG Question is - what are we doing as individuals to win souls to Jesus and to help them to grow and be profitable to the KINGDOM?

### **Some Potential Goals For Each Of Us Might Be...:**

- 1) Pray that God will give us the wisdom to continue to learn the truth .
- 2) Be tolerant of others who disagree with us.
- 3) Understand that we must believe we are correct, but be open to be taught some new things if they are in accordance with the Scriptures.
- 4) Be kind to our fellow human beings. People do have opinions and if we are going to witness to them, one must differ in a spirit of kindness.
- 5) Target two (2) people to begin teaching the "Ways Of Jesus" by nightfall.

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