Evangelism I

106

Certificate Level



Classroom Hours: 24(minimum)

Description/Overview:

This introductory course seeks to expose the need for evangelism, and motivates students toward meeting that need. It explains the: who, what, when, where, why, and how of evangelism.

Objectives

At the end of this course of study, students will be able to:

- 1. Outline the law of sowing and reaping as it relates to evangelism demonstrating understanding of the importance of reaping during harvest time.
- 2. Provide a clear picture of what is biblically meant by evangelism (i.e. define evangelism using words, word pictures or images from God's Word).
- 3. Relate the importance of friendship in evangelism/evangelistic efforts.
- 4. Identify seven scriptural pictures of evangelists.
- 5. Discover ten spiritual qualifications of witnesses or evangelists.
- 6. Reveal four characteristics of evangelistic churches and assess several ways a pastor or an outreach/evangelism coordinator could help make evangelism a recognized priority in His church.
- 7. Examine the importance of having a vision as related to evangelism (Proverbs 29:18).
- 8. State five reasons why someone would not be involved in evangelism. For each reason suggest how this can be corrected.
- 9. Point out indicators that a population or people are considered "receptive" or "resistant" and identify steps that can be taken, or things done, to effectively evangelize both types of people.
- 10. Explain the difference between personal and mass evangelism. Be able to identify potential evangelism opportunities and methods that would be appropriate for both types of evangelism.

Topics/Concepts:

- Great Commission
- Obedience to the Great Commission
- Law of the Harvest
- The Great Harvest
- Reaping the Harvest
- Scriptural Word Pictures of Evangelists and Personal Evangelists
- Task of Evangelism
- Defining Evangelism
- Qualifications, Qualities, or Characteristics of Evangelists
- Building and Becoming an Evangelistic Church
- Types of Church Growth
- Characteristics of Evangelistic Churches

- Vision
- Burden
- Value of a Soul
- Personal Evangelism
- Mass Evangelism
- Understanding Heaven to Gain; Hell to Shun
- Commands of Jesus concerning Evangelism
- Reasons why people do not evangelize
- How to overcome the reasons why people do not evangelize
- Urban and Rural Evangelism
- Receptive and Resistant People
- Special groups and opportunities for Evangelism
- Principles of Evangelism as compared to Methods of Evangelism

Recommended Primary Textbook(s):

Evangelism: Sowing and Reaping by James G. Poitras

Alternate Textbooks:

Evangelism I IABC, Ralph V. Reynolds

Overview of Lessons available in the Recommended Primary Textbook:

- Evangelism and Farming
- Introducing the Farmers
- Between Sowing & Reaping
- The Lost Harvest
- What is Evangelism?
- Who to Evangelize?
- Who Evangelizes?
- The Evangelistic Church
- Vision & Burden
- Why Evangelize?
- Why Not Evangelize?
- Where to Evangelize
- When to Evangelize
- Which Tools to Use

Languages Available:

French, Spanish, English, Portuguese and Russian

Course Packet Resources:

Power Point for Evangelism: Sowing and Reaping Power Point for Evangelism I IABC Evangelism: Sowing and Reaping Q & A, Assignments and Tests A Variety of Articles are available by request to gats@upci.org

Comments:

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