

## Series: The Sent Ones

Part Six: What Do We Say?

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### 1. Series Recap

- Sharing the gospel is a partnered-venture: God does His part (He has reconciled mankind, He draws people to Himself, and He opens doors for us to talk about Him) and we have our part (to pray for open doors, to step into those opportunities with “salty conversations,” and to live with hope).
- Sharing the gospel is about relationships – our proximity to others to share the gospel
- Sharing the gospel is about being authentic in these relationships – being honest about our feelings and our failures
- Sharing the gospel is about being generous – with our time and our money
- Sharing the gospel is about God working with us just as we are – as inviters, as story-tellers, as relationship builders, as servants, as to-the-point personalities, and as debaters

### 2. What can we do when we sense people aren't ready to place their faith in Jesus?

- a. Focus our prayer
- b. Listen well
- c. Ask spiritual questions
- d. Talk to people one-on-one.
- e. Pique interest.
- f. Navigate barriers to belief.

### 3. 3 + 1 gospel frameworks:

#### 1. The Four Spiritual Laws

- a. God loves you and has a wonderful plan for your life
- b. Our sin has separated us from God
- c. Jesus is God's only provision for our salvation
- d. We must receive salvation by faith in Christ

#### 2. The Bridge to Life – developed by Navigators:

- a. The bible teaches that God loves all humans and wants them to know him
- b. But humans sinned against God and are separated from God – leading to death and judgment
- c. There is a solution: Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sins and in so doing has become the bridge between humanity and God
- d. Only those who trust Christ can cross the bridge – the choice is yours

### 3. Steps to Peace with God

- a. God's plan: Peace and life
- b. Humanity's problem: separation
- c. God's remedy: the cross
- d. Human response: receive

**4. Reunion:** *Jesus is God with us, come to show us God's love, save us from sin, set up God's kingdom, and shut down religion, so that we can share in God's love.*

### 4. What if my friend IS ready to place his/her faith in Jesus?

1. Pray together
2. Pray out loud
3. Lead off the time of prayer
4. Let them pray
5. Close in prayer
6. Celebrate with them

## Study Notes for Personal and Group Reflection

### DISCUSSION

1. Have you ever “led” anyone to Jesus Christ? What was that like (for them, for you)? How has that experience affected his/her/your faith?

2. How have you been involved in someone else's discipleship?

### BIBLE

3. Read Mt. 28:19-20. How do you interpret and apply these verses in light of what we've been talking about in this series?

4. Read 2 Cor. 5:13-21. What are the meaningful highlights in these verses as they relate to God's part and our part in sharing the good news of the gospel? How might you do your part?

5. Read Col. 4:2-4. What does Paul mean by “open doors?” What have they and what might they look like in your life?

### APPLICATION

6. Regularly meditate on the goodness of the good news (however you connect meaningfully with Jesus). Let this time be what motivates you to share the gospel.

6. Share the gospel. Be attentive to open doors. Work with God as He works with your personality to share the good news. Be as thoughtful and as ready as you can to share the content of the gospel in relevant ways.