

## EVANGELISM

## EVANGELISM

<p>Those with the spiritual gift of <b>Evangelism</b> are people who seem to always seek to build meaningful relationships with non-believers and are often able to steer conversations with these "neighbors" to spiritual things. They are enabled, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to communicate the good news of Jesus to unbelievers in such a way that they see people believe and commit to following Christ. These people just cannot not share their faith.</p>	<p>This is one of my gifts _____</p> <p>I am unsure if I have this gift _____</p> <p>This is not one of my gifts _____</p>
<p><b>Questions on the assessment that pertain to Evangelism:</b></p>	<p>Review each question and jot down what comes to mind:</p>
<p>When I talk to non-Christians about Jesus, they are often interested in what I have to say.</p>	
<p>Sharing the Gospel comes easily to me.</p>	
<p>I actively develop relationships with and reach out to those outside the church community.</p>	
<p><b>Some words that describe people with this gift:</b></p>	<p>Put a checkmark below if you feel the word describes you:</p>
<p>Convicted</p>	
<p>Forthright</p>	
<p>Persuasive</p>	
<p>Confident</p>	
<p>Approachable</p>	
<p>Heart for the lost</p>	
<p><b>Potential negatives to this gift:</b></p>	<p>Check the ones that feel like particular warnings for your use of the gift:</p>
<p>Can begin to think that people's coming to faith in Jesus is reliant on the skill of the evangelist more than on the power of the Holy Spirit.</p>	
<p>Can try to use this gift first in all situations when some situations might call for Helps or Mercy first and Evangelism second.</p>	
<p>Can force answers to questions hearers are not yet asking.</p>	

Some possible ways to serve using this gift:	Check which ways to serve sound like a potential fit for you, or add to the list:
• Community volunteer/sports coach	
• Friend to an international student	
• Bible study leader	
• Drama team	
• Evangelistic team	
• Short or long-term missionary/missions committee member	
• Visitor calling team	
• Prison ministry	
• Vacation Bible School director/helper/Sunday School teacher/helper	
• Youth leader/assistant	
• Anywhere in the workplace	

### Quotations from individuals with this gift:

BH: "Knowing that God has a purpose for everything, anytime I meet a person I think in terms of an opportunity to share Jesus' love and message. I try to talk, give an evangelistic brochure, or leave an open door for further conversation. I have seen many come to Jesus and there is no bigger joy."

LB: "I have a heart for people who may have been damaged by the church in their youth, and those who are turned off to Jesus because of the religious right. I love to turn their ideas of God upside down by presenting Jesus in a fresh, unexpected way. I spend most of the time listening, sometimes agreeing with them about the abuses they perceive, but then sharing what God has done for me. There is no arguing with that."

RD: "Good evangelists are people who engage others in conversations about important and profound subjects such as faith, meaning, hope, purpose, goodness, beauty, truth, justice and life. We work at being fluent in two languages; the language of the world we live in and the language of the Gospel. I find that I am more an interpreter/translator of the Good News. My challenge is to share the love of Christ in ways that address the head, the heart, and our imaginations."

If you think you have this gift, write your own quotation (a description of what this looks like in your life):

Having reviewed this gift in detail above, who else do you think exhibits this gift?

Jot down your reactions/reflections here: