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SOUL WINNING

>Jesus the Soul winner:

- Soul winning is preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ and winning the lost back to God. It is the gospel of the Kingdom of God (Mk.1:1, 15).
- It is proclaiming the truth that though man sinned and fell short of the glory of God, Jesus came that we might receive forgiveness of sins and get eternal life (Rom. 3:23-26).
- Jesus came preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God and healing all manner of diseases. Those who believed followed him. And because we have been forgiven, we can also receive healing of diseases and deliverance from all form of bondage (Matt.4:23-25; Mk.2:5-6).
- He sent those who believed to preach to others. All those who believed their preaching got saved. (Matt.10:1-16; Luke 10:1-20)



>> PREPARATION OF THE BELIEVER FOR SOULWINNING: Spiritually:

Spiritual preparation is very important and scriptural. Jesus said the harvest was plenty. We should pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest. Matt.9:37; Luk.10-3; Eph.6:10-19; Mk.4:3-8; 2Cor.4:3-5; Matt.14:23; Mk.6:46.

We should fast as guided by the Holy Spirit according to the New Testament to increase our sense of humility and dependence on the Lord, to heighten our spiritual and mental alertness, to exercise refrain of worldly material and sin. (Matt.4:1-11)

Mentally:

Mental preparation is very important and this concerns the mind. We would not like to preach what we are not conversant with 2Tim.3:15-17. We need to read widely and have these scriptures in our hearts. It may not be necessary to carry a Bible with you when preaching. We need to know as many facts as we can to be relevant in our approach. 2Tim.2:15-19.

Jesus was very conversant with scriptures. And those he sent to preach, he also opened their understanding to the scriptures Luk.24:27, 45-49. Soulwinners have to be people of the word.



Physically:

Physical appearance affects the gospel we preach. Our packaging reflects the words we speak. While it is not necessary to deck ourselves too much, it is important to look smart and well kempt.

We should not look like beggars and it should never reflect in the way we talk for any reason. People believe more what they see than what they hear. People believe 70% of what they see and 30% of what they hear. (Matt.5:14)

Emotionally:

Preaching involves our whole person. When you go to preach you must prepare for any eventuality. We should be ready to be offended and abused.

We should always maintain our posture and don't be provoked into heated arguments. (Matt.10:16-26)

>> PACKAGING THE GOSPEL:

There are many ways of preaching the gospel.

- Through preaching with words beginning from the common to the uncommon. We should use stories, parables, and illustrations. (John 4:7-14); God confirms His words with signs and wonders (Mk.16:19-20)
- Through lifestyle of the believer. They see the change of our new birth in the things we do (2Cor.3:2,3; 1Peter3:1ff)



 Through acts of showing mercy to those who are in need of human basic needs. A hungry person needs bread before he can hear the gospel of salvation. Mahatma Gandhi said, "If God were to appear to a hungry person he would appear as bread". However it is important to preach after showing acts of mercy. (John 6:5ff).

>>THE METHOD OF ONE ON ONE:

Our approach to a lost soul should be friendly and full of compassion. Matt.9:35-36; John 3:1-21. This method gives the convert the opportunity to share his or her fears with you.

You also avoid a direct confrontation with a group where some would just take advantage to be defensive.

>>THE ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN PREACHING

Jesus' preaching was a function of the anointing upon His life (Luke4:18). He was not exposing His scriptural knowledge. Scriptures alone don't bring salvation and life to a lost soul (John 5:39). Jesus admonished His disciples not to leave Jerusalem until they were endued with power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8).

It is the Spirit of the Lord who opens up hearts of lost people (Acts 16:14). It is the Spirit of the Lord who seals us after salvation (Eph.1:13). It is the Spirit who works miracles and wonders (Acts 10:38).

>>THE APPROACH TO MOSLEMS

Taking the gospel to the Moslems should be done with knowledge that they are taught how to defend their faith against Christians.

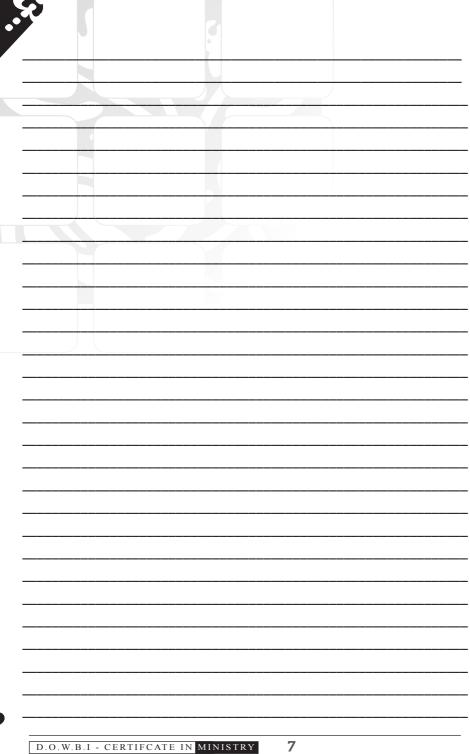
Secondly Christians are considered to be infidels (non-believers) by Moslems. Their religion uses violence when needed to establish itself.

Moslems have been taught to argue with Christians by using the Bible. There's a campaign going on to conquer the world through Islam. High reproduction and wooing Christian women into marriage is an orchestrated effort to overcome Christianity;

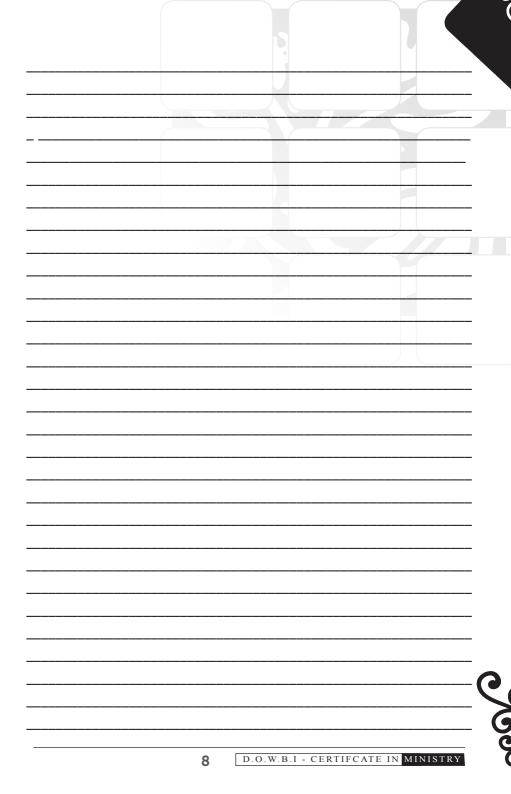
- You should approach a Moslem by first befriending them. Look for points of contact. Muslims believe that God is merciful, that sinners cannot approach him. They also believe we believe the same God as theirs.
- You should be conversant with the word of God so that you can quote it even when you haven't gone with the Bible.
- You should avoid arguing with Moslems because they easily become defensive and close out the gospel.
- You should not hurry to make a Moslem to confess Christ because they may never really know what they are doing.

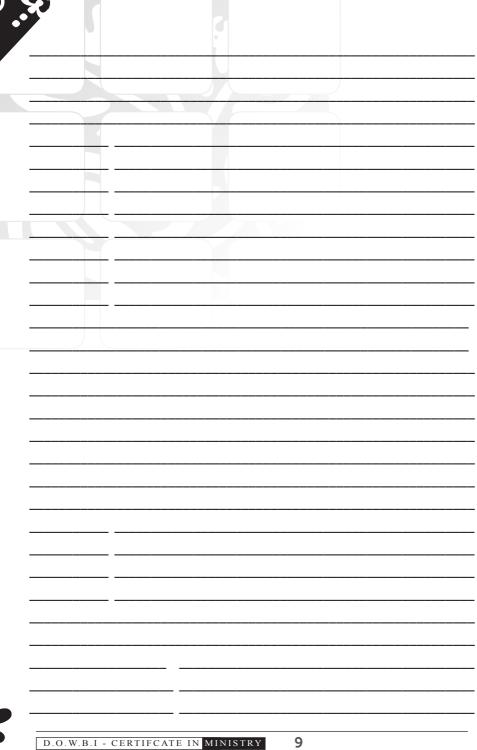


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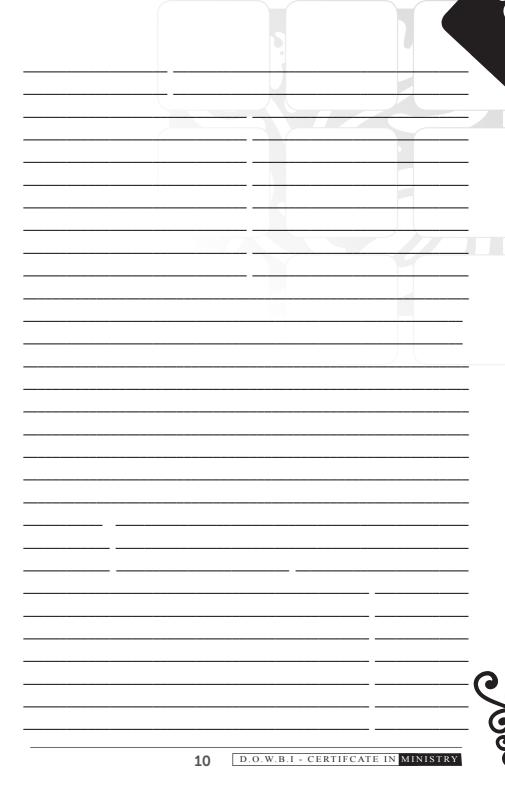












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