



The American Anglican Council's "Anglican Traditions" videos are free for anyone to use. These study guides are meant to act as an aid to getting the most out of the "Rediscovering Evangelism" videos and are designed for small group use. The series is divided into 6 sessions with each having its own study guide. Watch other teaching videos on the Anglican traditions at www.AnglicanTraditions.com

This study guide is for Session 1: Rediscovering Evangelism

Introduction

This personal evangelism training is designed to be done in the context of a group such as a Sunday School class, weekly discipleship night at the church, or a home small group. Ideally, a group would complete the study in 6 weeks. Each week you meet, please watch a video together as a group first and then go through the discussion questions for that video.

If there are more than 12 people watching the video together, we encourage you to break into smaller groups for the discussion. Our recommendation would be groups of three at minimum and 12 at maximum. If you are watching privately, please read and apply the discussion questions as best as you can.

If there is not already a clearly defined discussion facilitator for your group, at the first gathering, choose someone to be the group facilitator.

To the facilitator: the questions are designed to create discussion among all the participants. Please help each participant engage and share as much as possible on each question. As with any other study, each participant will get out only as much as they put in.

About the practicums: Each session's discussion notes contain a practicum at the end. These practicums are designed to allow each participant to put the teaching into practice. Our goal is to live into Paul's challenge to us in Philippians 4:8-10 (NIV) "*Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.*" Rediscovering Evangelism is designed to not only be a study to "think about evangelism" but also to help you "put it into practice."

Our sincere prayer is that you will grow in knowledge, comfort, and skill in evangelism so there will be many more people in The Kingdom of God forever as a result of your participating. With God's help, you can do evangelism!

Session 1: Commitment

1. Each person introduce yourself to the group and share one example of something that is in the “category of commitment” for you, and one example of something that is in the “category of good idea” for you. Describe why for each. (Examples might be: Going to church on Sundays, exercise, creating a budget, tithing, or dieting)
2. Share your story of when and how you became a believer in Jesus (were born again/saved). If you prayed for salvation today while watching the video, share that with the group. If you haven't yet believed, please share with the group where you are on your spiritual journey.
3. What are your fears about doing personal evangelism and why do you think you have those fears?
4. Read Luke 22:41-42. What other challenges and/or excuses will you have to say, “Yet your will be done” in order to overcome them and do personal evangelism?
5. Canon Mark discussed the need for Personal Renewal and Personal Responsibility in order to be committed to doing Personal Evangelism. What is one thing you will do this week to deepen your love and passion for Jesus?

Close your group time with prayer in whatever way is most comfortable for you. As you conclude your time of prayer, please include this Collect for Mission for yourselves:

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone works great marvels: Send down upon our clergy and congregations committed to their charge the life-giving Spirit of your grace, shower them with the continual dew of your blessing, and ignite in them a zealous love of your Gospel, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Practicum:

At least four days this week, in prayer, ask God to give you a great commitment to His Great Commission. And mean it!