

CARING HEART FELLOWSHIP (CHF)

Friday, 8th July 2022

THEME: PERSONAL SOUL WINNING
TOPIC: THE OBLIGATIONS AND THE REWARDS OF SOUL-WINNING
TEXT: PROVERBS 11:30; DANIEL 12:3

INTRODUCTION:

In its simplest form of definition, Soul Winning is rescuing the perishing and saving the dying. The soul winners' message is the gospel. Which according to our study we have established is the 'good news'. This week we are continuing our study on personal soul winning by looking more closely and exploring in details "The Qualification of a Soul Winner".

1. THE QUALIFICATION OF A SOUL WINNER

1. A soul-winner must be a person of character – 2 Timothy 2:20-21, 1 Corinthians 3:9,16,17

- Your spiritual condition is a very important factor in how the sinner responds to you!
- God is holy and will only use clean vessels.
- A Christ-like character is an argument against which there is no answer.
- This does not mean we wait for sinless perfection before we go soul winning.

Q: In the light of the above statements can a new convert participate in personal soul-winning?

2. A soul-winner must be a person of Complete Passion

- A desire to see souls saved, and to see them perfected in Christ.

What constitutes the passion for souls?

a. Love for Christ – John 21:16-17

- If our passion for souls is based on love for the sinner or wanting to see the church grow, we will lose our passion.

Q: What should our passion be based on?

b. Concern for souls (having compassion) – Matthew 9:36

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

c. Sense of urgency.

2 Corinthians 6:2 – Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

d. Sense of responsibility – Genesis 4:9

- No one with a passion for souls will ask that question "Am I my brother's keeper".

e. Sense of call – John 20:21, 17:18

We are sent by Jesus even as the Father hath sent him

3. A soul-winner must be a person of Conviction – James 5:20, Proverbs 14:25

Unless we are convinced beyond all doubt, we will be ineffective as soul- winners.

- There must be no question about the condition of the sinner.
- There must be no doubt about the truth of the Gospel and its power.
- There must be no uncertainty regarding God's acceptance to all who come to Him.

Q: How do we take care that our conviction doesn't get in the way of soul-winning?

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4. A soul-winner must be a person of Understanding – Proverbs 11:30

- You must have an understanding of the Gospel message.
- You must have an understanding of people.
- You must have an understanding of situations.

Q: What level of understanding do we need to have to qualify as a soul-winner?

5. A soul-winner must be a person used by the Holy Spirit – Acts 1:8, Zechariah 4:6

- We need the Holy Spirit for leading.
- We need the Holy Spirit for speech.
 - ✓ When it's time to speak, the Holy Spirit will give you boldness.
- We need the Holy Spirit for power.

Q: Why is the role of the Holy Spirit critical in personal soul winning?

6. A soul-winner must be a person in Contact – Romans 10:14

- A soul-winner must have contact with God and contact with people.
- You might have the best fishing tackle in your garage, but it will not catch fish for you until it comes in contact with fish and water

Q: How do we ensure that we stay in contact on a regular basis?

CONCLUSION:

Our study today clearly shows us the fundamental qualification required to be an effective personal soul-winner.

A personal soul-winner must have spiritual life to a high degree. The fact of the matter is that our work is, under God, to communicate life to others. Life must be communicated by a living instrument, and the person who is to communicate the life must themselves have a great deal of that life to be able to communicate it effectively. Let's remember the words of Jesus, "He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water," that is, the Holy Spirit, when He dwells within a child of God, naturally what will flow forth from within him is the fountain or river, which others may then come and participate in the Spirit's gracious influences.