

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Love – Then what?

What is **Evangelism**?

Our life with God is to receive His love and:

- 1) Love Him in return (**Matt. 22:37-38**)
- 2) Love ourselves & others (**Matt. 22:39**)
- 3) Love each other as He does (**John 13:34**)

Then **invite everyone else to join us**

Matthew 28:18-20, Then Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and **make disciples of all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you**. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

“Make disciples of all nations”

- Do for everyone else what I have done for you
- Be My disciples by helping others to be My disciples
- Is this evangelism?
- Are evangelism & discipleship separate?

“Teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you.”

(**Observe** = to keep/guard from loss or injury, to preserve from being joined to anything else)

- Teach them what I have commanded you
- Demonstrate it – He did (**Rom. 5:8 & Phil. 2:1-5**)
- Love them and each other – **first**

What has He commanded us?

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What does evangelism do?

Evangelism goes where they are

- Nathanael
- The Samaritan woman
- Cornelius
- Lydia

Evangelism cares about who they are

- Phillip & The Ethiopian (Baptism)
- Paul in Athens

Evangelism is willing to spend time with them

- Zacchaeus
- Cornelius
- Getting to know them validates who they are

Evangelism invites them to know who Jesus is

- Nathanael
- Become His family members (**Matt. 12:48-50**)

Evangelism has no boundaries

- The Samaritan woman
- Cornelius
- **Acts 1:8**

Evangelism lives among non-Christians

- ***Matthew 13:33***
- *It can be patient*

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Evangelism is personal & relational

- *Like Jesus*
- *Not detached & programmatic*

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Evangelism always loves

- *Presenting love in God's behalf*
- *Who does He tell us to not love?*

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I Corinthians 13:1-8a & 13:13-14:1a

Love ***authenticates & validates*** words & actions