


CORE CLASSES: Foundations Personal Evangelism I
Student Notes



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Lesson 2 – Defining the Terms

Introduction: In this lesson, we are going to focus on defining terms used in Personal Evangelism. Unfortunately, there is much confusion concerning certain terms that are used commonly in “Christianity.”

Defining the Terms

I Corinthians 2:14 *“But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”*

We live in a time of declining spirituality. Because of this, we must endeavor to discern what terms people may or may not understand. With that knowledge, we can then explain those terms to someone when delivering the gospel.

1. S_____

If you tell someone they need to be saved, you must be ready to tell them what that means. We cannot assume they understand what you are saying. We could rightly ask the question, when you are saved, what are you saved from?

A. Since the term saved is used, it means there has to be a danger. What is the danger that every person faces?

B. Not only are we saved from something, but when we say saved, we are saved to something as well. When someone is saved, they are saved from the wages of sin and saved to the **deliverer from sin**. (The Lord Jesus Christ)

2. S_____

In order for someone to be saved, there had to be a sacrifice. What is a sacrifice?

When Jesus Christ died as a sacrifice for our sins, He saw the value of obtaining sinners more than His own life.

3. S_____

Jesus Christ is our replacement. He took our place. We were to be the ones paying for our own sins, but Jesus Christ stepped in as the Substitute in our place.

4. R_____

Repentance is spoken about in the scriptures as part of salvation. Saving faith will necessarily involve repentance toward God. Consider the following verse:

Acts 20:21 *“Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Repentance can be defined as feeling remorse for sin and making a change of mind.

5. C_____

Agree with God regarding your sin.

6. F_____

The Bible describes and defines faith for us in the book of Hebrews.

Hebrews 11:1 *“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”*

Hebrews 11:6 *“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”*

Hebrews 12:2 *“Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.”*

7. B_____

To believe just does not mean having a head knowledge of Jesus Christ, but to completely trust in Jesus Christ, placing your total trust in Him as the Sacrifice for your sin.

8. D_____

We understand that death means for this body on earth to cease existing, but in dealing with salvation, death also means the eternal death that will one day be cast into the lake of fire. Physical death means separation from the body (Genesis 5). Spiritual death, also called the second death, is separation from God. (Revelation 20).