

Go Public: Mission Sunday, Go Shine Your Light
Small Group Discussion Questions
First Colony Church of Christ
November 13, 2011

Icebreaker:

Share some examples that you have seen, heard of or experienced of bad evangelism methods. Maybe you have even “inflicted” one of these on someone else. What makes these so funny and awful at the same time.

Discussion:

1. Shane referenced a man nicknamed “Pants” because of the tattered pants he wore as beggar in his village. What kind of nicknames might we be given in our American culture?
2. After “Pants” gave his life to Christ he was able to use his derogatory nickname to share the story of God’s work in his life. How can we use our own stories to share Christ’s love with the people we interact with daily.
3. Read Acts 1:8. Jesus tells the disciples they will be His witnesses in 4 different locations. How can we translate these locations (Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, & the uttermost parts of the world) to our modern lives as we look for opportunities to be witnesses of Jesus’ transforming power?
4. Read Romans 1:16. Paul explains why he is not ashamed of the Gospel. Can we say the same thing? What causes us to feel ashamed, afraid, or hesitant to share? How can we overcome these obstacles?
5. Why is hard to remember to live as ambassadors or “sent ones” in places where we feel comfortable (our neighborhoods, jobs, etc.)? Do you see yourself as a sent one? What can we do to capture more of a sense of being ambassadors in our everyday lives?
6. We started with ideas of bad methods of evangelism. After this discussion, what would you consider to be a good method of evangelism? How can we make sure our gospel sharing methods are as effective as possible?

Prayer:

Share the first names of people with whom you want to share Christ. Pray together for those people. Continue praying for an opportunity to speak to them this week.