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The Gospel Shaped Relationship

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Peter Joseph

Mogan and Maria completed their MBBS degree and moved to a reputed institution to work and tutor students. Both were involved in church ministry as well as counselling. As both wanted to pursue their higher studies, they applied for PG course and were waiting for the results.

Maria got admission in PG course, but

Mogan did not get through it. Maria came home in excitement to join the PG course and informed her husband about the admission in the university. Mogan could not accept this and felt uneasy. He was not able to congratulate Maria for her achievement, instead he mumbled and said “I need to do the course first. Please wait for my admission.” Maria was shocked and upset about her husband’s attitude. Mogan did not allow Maria to join the PG course.

Many questions arise in our mind like a) Why did Mogan behave like this towards his own wife? b) Why did he want to compete with her? c) Why he is not able to accept his wife’s victory? Let all these questions linger in our mind while we see Philippians 2. Here, we see three important aspects which Paul insists on:

Principle (v.3-4)

The Gospel of Jesus Christ (v.5-8)

Unite with Christ (v.1-2)

A. Principle (v.3-4):

Paul starts verse 3 and 4 in a negative tone and then emphasize on doing for others. Let us start with verse 3, where he mentions ‘do nothing on selfish ambition or vain conceit (excessive pride)’. The reason is that selfish ambition, revolves around only on own self. This selfish motive makes us to think about how to achieve and to hold on to it. It will not allow us to think about others.

Consequently, we use our power and pride to control others and make use of them to fulfil our selfish ambitions. When we start controlling and overpower others, then we value and consider others as lower than us. This attitude of pride makes us to believe that we are always superior to others and our mind does not like to see the prosperity of others.

Paul mentions the word ‘humility’ in verse 3 which is directly contradictory to pride and selfish ambition. Humility is the mother of all virtues; Being humble is not

to see how important we can become, but to see how much difference that we make in the lives of others.

In verse 4, we see the word 'interest' comes two times; one is not to look of our own interests but to the interests of others. Mogan looks only on his own interest, but failed to consider the interest of Maria, which makes him to value Maria less than himself.

B. The Gospel of Jesus Christ (v.5-8):

Paul has concluded the principles for relationship in verse 3 and 4 which shall be quotable quotes, pop up in our computer screen or in social media. But Paul continues to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ in verses 5 to 8 highlights us to have the same mindset as Jesus to have relationship with one another.

Servant (v. 5,6): We see a phrase 'very nature' in verse 5 and 6: the very nature of God and the very nature of a servant.

Jesus Christ is God, but he does not use this nature of God for his own advantage (v.3,6), but made himself as nothing. In another version of the Bible, we see, he emptied himself and no reputation (v. 4, 7).

Paul asked us not to do anything in verse 3 but here Jesus made himself nothing. What is that? He has set aside his glory and power; He did not use them for his own advantage during his earthly life. He mentioned that he has power to ask God to protect him during his arrest (Matt 26:53), yet he did not do it.

Again, Jesus prayed to God to glorify him that he had with the father before the world was created (John 17:5)

Submission (v.8): Jesus Christ, the eternal son, submitted to the father unconditionally because Jesus' love towards his father is incomparable. His obedience and submission were proved through his crucifixion.

Sacrifice and Salvation v.8: Jesus Christ gave his life on the cross for the redemption of our sins. His sacrificial love demonstrated that he lived only for others. He considered us better, the pinnacle of creation, and that made him to become as a servant. He gave his life on the cross for our life, His righteousness for our unrighteousness, His freedom for our condemnation and through his sacrifice, Jesus elevated us as God's own children.

Shepherd (v.9-11, Rev. 7:17): God exalted Jesus Christ to higher place to rule over the heavens and earth; every tongue acknowledge him as the Lord, the glory of God the father; He is the ultimate king (v.9-11). John the author of the book of Revelation, sees Jesus Christ as the Lamb and the Shepherd. He came as a Lamb and sitting on the throne as a shepherd; He is the Lord who leads us to springs of living water (Rev. 7:17).

C. Unite with Christ (1-3):

In verse 5-8, Paul reveals the mindset of Jesus Christ and asked us to have the same mindset in relationship with others. Jesus' mindset will come to us when we unite with him (Ph. 2:1) by his grace and by God (Ph. 1:28,29, Eph. 2:8). We should look upward towards his work of our salvation on the cross and his resurrection. Secondly, we must internalise his gospel of grace in our heart. we will walk worthy of the Gospel and it will transform our life (Ph. 1:27, Rom 12:1). Thirdly, we extend his grace to others by loving them, giving life for them, serve them and pointing them to Christ.

Let us look deep into the mindset of Paul, how it is transformed to the mindset of Jesus Christ and how it impacts in his relationship with others.

He mentions two times the word 'garbage': his identity as a garbage and he becomes garbage of the world to bring

others to Christ (1 Cor. 4:8-13 and Phil 4:5-9).

Our self revolves around our identity. The identity makes us to cling on to something and value that attachment as extremely near and dear to us. Paul considers his identity as nothing when compare with the surpassing worth of knowing Jesus Christ (I Cor.4:13).

Paul wants to become lower than others so that others could be lifted to know Christ more. He wants to be a fool for Christ so that others could become wise in Christ. He wants to be weak so others shall become strong, he wants to be crushed so others will be blessed, and he wants to be slandered and persecuted. (1 Cor. 4:10-13). He wants to be displayed at the end of the procession and desired others to be at the front of the procession. In one of the towns, a guest speaker for Christian convention, got annoyed when his title 'professor' was removed from his name. An organiser removed it with an

intention that he was not working in that job and retired 20 years ago. People aspires for worldly titles before their names like 'Prophet,' 'Pastor,' 'Evangelist,' 'Missionary,' 'Dr,' 'Er' and 'Apostles.' Some people always wanted to be boasted about their birth, place, upbringing, caste, community, university, professional pride, language. If we still hold on to earthly identity, then we have not known the gospel of Christ in our life, hesitant to allow his grace to change our life and our own interest is not yet crucified (Gal 2:20).

Conclusion: Mogan received the gospel of grace, and he became aware that His grace is more than sufficient in his life. However, he had gone through the challenge of giving up his interest to look after the interest of Maria or others which meant he was not able to understand the servanthood of Shepherd Jesus and his gospel that shapes our relationship with others.

Jesus Christ came down to earth as a servant, submitted to the father's will, sacrifice his life for the redemption of sins, and as a loving shepherd led us to the living water (Rev. 7:17).

The Gospel of Jesus Christ and his mindset transform our life and build gospel shaped relationship with others by giving our life for others, serving others, looking into the interest of others as Jesus did for us (Phil 2:21, 1 John 3:16).

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Christianity Explored leader's kit, as pictured in the print newsletter.

India and Nepal Mission Trip Report 2023

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Peter Joseph

“The workshop on “God’s big picture” to see Bible as a whole, it was a God-given

opportunity for me to learn the entire theme of the Bible. It helped me learn the one underlying idea that connects all the 66 books of the Bible. It increases my desire to dig deep into the Word of God. Above all, it challenged me to teach Bible passages in line with whole theme of the Bible. I have decided to apply what I have learnt to my PBS (Personal Bible study) and teach the students through prayer groups” - says a participant from Tiruchirapalli, Tamilnadu.

“I spent money to complete a three year course in a theological college. However, I could not learn much about the overview of the Bible there as I did at this workshop. I learned all this in less than three days,” says a participant from Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

“People come to the Lord through the Gospel, and they may join a church. After this, we do not see much spiritual growth, nor do we see sufficient understanding of the Scriptures. That is why we need more

training programs like this,” says a participant from Nepal

Context:

I could see the people's hunger and thirst for spiritual food, the Word of God, in India and Nepal. This emphasizes the need to equip evangelists, church planters, missionaries, native pastors, lay leaders and the church congregations in basic teaching of 'God's Big Picture' , to understand, desire and delight in God's word.

The challenges faced: First, many of our believers group live far away from Bible colleges and seminaries.

Second, even if a Bible college or a seminary is accessible to them, it is most likely that it offers courses only in English, a language that is foreign to many in India and Nepal.

To solve these two practical problems, we can start, 'Equip to Equip' which would be

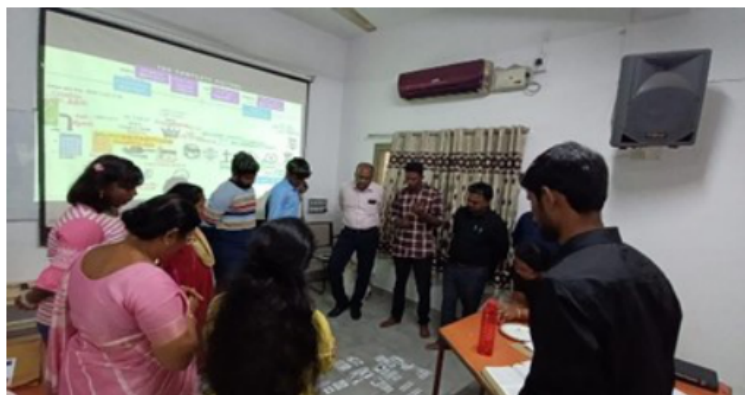
essential for the believers in India and Nepal.

This program would train evangelists, missionaries, lay leaders and the church congregations in basic teaching in their native languages and in their own places. This will equip them to present the Gospel clearly and serve the Lord faithfully.

God has enabled me to travel to India and Nepal so that I could fulfil His purpose of equipping the people who would in turn equip others.

A. God's Big Picture UESI - TN Trichy:

On November 16, 2023, I arrived in Tiruchirapalli in Tamil Nadu to train UESI - TN (Union of Evangelical Students of India—Tamil Nadu) staff, graduates and students. The participants were privileged to understand how to relate 66 books in God's big picture. It was a great eye opener to the delegates, and the excellent part was the Bible map and complete picture. Participants bought the Tamil book of 'God's Plan for Salvation' which would help them continue to learn and teach university Students and Graduates. One of the participants excited to share the complete picture to his siblings.



God's Big Picture training with UESI students, Tiruchirappalli.

B. Brainstorming Session - Discipleship Renewal Ministries (DRM) India

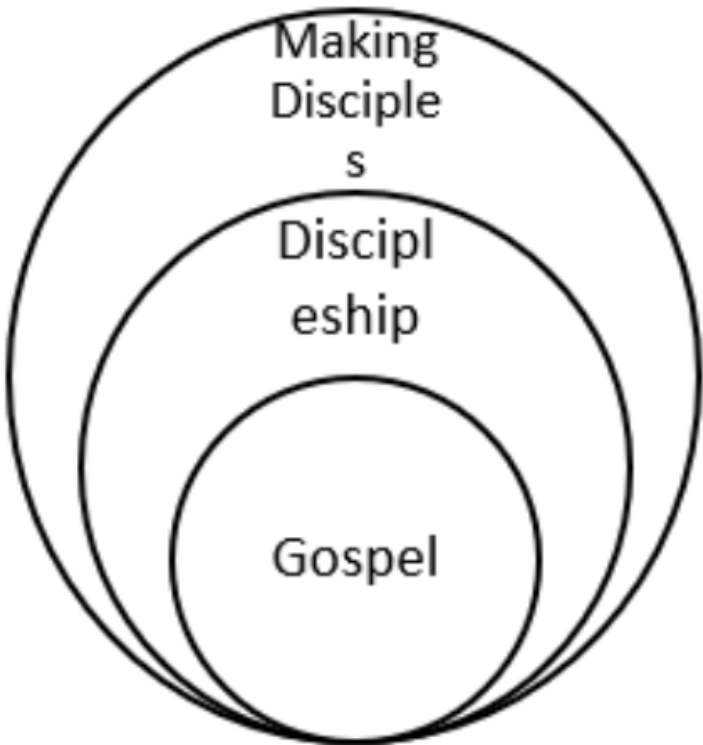
On November 23, 2023, I conducted a brainstorming session with the missionaries and the core team. We discussed about the strategies, their mission and vision, and the uniqueness of DRM. We explored the ways and means of implementing the vision and mission. After a long discussion, we completed a framework of discipleship. Gospel is the core of entering into Christian life, disciple life and disciple making life. It was explained using a concentric circle.

C. The Gospel Shaped Discipleship - DRM India:

On November 22-23, 2023, I trained the same group on 'The Gospel Shaped Discipleship'. It is an essential training to understand how the Gospel has come to us from OT to fulfilment in NT. This course is designed that it helps one to understand the Gospel, and how the gospel begins one's Christian life, shapes our walk in Christian life and serve Him until the end of our life or the return of Jesus Christ.

D. Equip to Equip - DRM Raipur:

I went to Raipur in the state of Chhattisgarh in Central India. It was encouraging to witness young pastors bringing their congregations to the 'Equip to Equip' workshop from 28-30 November 2023.



The Gospel, discipleship and disciple-making framework.



Discipleship Renewal Ministries team training.



Equip to Equip gathering in Raipur.

Nearly 60 people attended the sessions for three days. I taught them 'God's Big Picture'. The pastors expressed their desire to have more programs like this in other areas.

D.1. Follow up: Vikas John, DRM

Missionary formed a group of six pastors. We met and discussed how to take these lessons to their congregations and to other areas. They are willing to meet as a small Bible Study Group and to have similar programs in nearby areas.

A. Nepal Church:

On December 2, 2023, I shared God's word from Philippians 2:3-11 in a church in Nepal. Rev. Puran Lama, Dean of Presbyterian Theological College, Nepal, pastors this church. I introduced and gave the copy of the book 'God's Plan for Salvation' and encouraged him to use it in their theological college. Two of theological students attended NBCBS training.

B. God's Big Picture- NBCBS training.

From November 3-5, 2023, NBCBS (Nepal Bishwabidyalaya Christya Bidhyarthi Sangati – IFES Nepal) staff, and volunteers attended the program. I met young people who were eager to learn more about God's word. The participants understood the concept of seeing the whole picture in the Bible. They also learned how to interpret the Bible. They gave their feedback on how to use the complete picture as a basis to find the meaning of a Biblical passage, and how to connect the passage to the whole picture in the Bible. They also learned to explain as to how it pointed to Jesus Christ and apply the passage.



Participants at a training session.



Nepal Bible training participants.

Book Review: Evangelism in a Skeptical World

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Reviewed by J. N. Manokaran

Book Review: Evangelism in a Skeptical World: How to make the unbelievable news about Jesus more believable

Author: Sam Chan

Place of publication: Grand Rapids, Michigan

Publisher: Zondervan, 2018.

Sam Chan has written this book providing strategies, methods, and insights to evangelize a Post-Christian, Post-Churched, and PostReached World. Based in Sydney, Australia he shares the gospel and speaks at conferences on topics of ethics, storytelling, apologetics, and the practice of evangelism.

Concerned about the growing Cities, which are hives of racial and cultural

diversity, and parallelly the Rising biblical illiteracy in the West, the author calls for radical change in the methods of presenting the gospel in the changing context and attitude of the people.

In today's world, the words gospel and evangelism carry a lot of baggage, tradition, and emotion. Evangelism in the New Testament: Parable of Jesus, Songs, Creed, Letters to churches, one-on-one conversation, sermons in formal worship gatherings, discussion meetings, public speeches, apocalyptic literature, and miracles.

The author defines the gospel as the story about Jesus Christ who he is and what he has done, access to the gospel, and demands of the gospel that includes faith and obedience, which is communicated to both believers and unbelievers. From the theological perspective: God created us. We have sinned against God. Jesus saves us from our punishment. We now have a decision to make. According to

storytellers, it is Manger, Cross, and King. The five aspects of salvation are Internal call, Regeneration, Progressive sanctification, Preservation, and Glorification. “While regeneration describes what God does to save a person, conversion describes what the person needs to be do to be saved.” (page 29)

The reformers identified three aspects of faith: Assent – facts are true. Exercise trust – making lives consistent with the truth. Saving faith is necessary for salvation. (John 3:16) In Philippi, Paul ministered to: Lydia, a cognitive thinker; Slave Girl, an intuitive thinker, and the jailor, a concrete-relational thinker. Cognitive thinkers are persuaded by a reasoned discussion, intuitive are persuaded by emotions; concrete relational thinkers are persuaded by stories.

Many pastors urge their congregation members to share the gospel, just like a

swimming coach yelling at a new learner. The church members feel guilty, overwhelmed, and disheartened. The people outside the church are bound by plausibility structures that come from three main sources: Community, experience, facts, evidence, and data. Evidence and facts are dismissed or explained away. The author states that people will find a story more believable if more people in their community, their trusted friends and family, also believe it.

Immanuel Kant divided what we know as two realms of knowledge: The noumenal and the phenomenal. The noumenal is the realm of God, ethics, and values. The Phenomenon is the realm of facts, evidence, and data. In the Western world, there is another divide, a sacred secular. Sacred statements belong to the noumenal realm, while secular statements belong to the phenomenal realm and is discussed in the public place. The sacred-secular divide is a uniquely Western phenomenon. Sharing the gospel

means moving people from the secular realm into the sacred realm, from the phenomenal into the noumenal, from public into private space. Conversations exist in three concentric circles: interests, values and worldviews.

Telling Stories means listening, understanding, and empathizing. A story format in the Greek method has an introduction, body, and conclusion. The author suggests the template. First, Introduction: Introduction of hero, character, and world (context); Definition of mission: The hero has to accomplish a mission; third, Body: The hero progressively overcomes obstacles to achieve this mission. Four, Bridge: All that has happened until this time is summarized; five, Climax: The mission is achieved and six, Denouement: We are given a glimpse of the new normal world.

Evangelism is to answer this question to the present generation: What must I do to be saved? The blessing of the gospel is

entry into the kingdom of God. The correct response is to repent, deny, humble, give up everything, and follow Jesus. Synoptic gospels emphasize the entry into the Kingdom of God, John emphasizes the promise of Eternal Life, and Paul emphasizes Justification. Biblical metaphors for sin: Transgression, falling short, and Iniquity (broken or bent out of shape).

Theological components to sin: Internal: We sin against ourselves; Horizontal: We sin against others; and Vertical: We sin against God. Western culture resonates with Breaking of Law and needs forgiveness. Middle east culture with defilement and uncleanness, needs cleansing. Eastern culture with broken relationships, and the idea of shame, and needs restoration. Lord Jesus himself did not use the word sin but communicated the idea in different ways like: Not being rich towards God, being lost, confident in one's righteousness, and looking down upon others. It is essential to connect with

our audience: existentially, emotionally, and culturally.

The author writes elaborately about many methods used in the past that were effective like Two Ways Mathias Media used in Australia; Four Spiritual Laws used by Cru, and The Bridge of Life used by the Navigators. The postmodern generation needs new tools for evangelism.

Postmodernism is different from modernism in at least six ways. 1) Modern determines what is true objectively, while postmodern is subjective. 2) Modernists relate all beliefs to a foundational Noetic structure, but postmodern truths are free-floating, not anchored upon a prior truth, and are a product of context-culture, tribe, language, community, and upbringing. 3) New truths could be known by neutral and reliable methods; for postmodern all methods are biased and subjective. 4) Modernists believe the certainty of knowledge and truth is possible, while for postmodernism

it is impossible. 5) For moderns: Naturalism is the worldview that matter is all that exists while postmodernism challenges that.

6) For moderns' truth is universal and for postmodern, there is no universal truth. Kevin Vanhoozer gives an interesting statement: "Moderns think that it's all truth and no interpretation. But postmodern think it's all interpretations and not truth." (Page 115) Presenting the gospel to postmodernists who believe context determines everything is a challenge.

Presenting the gospel to postmodernists who believe context determines everything is a challenge. They regard all religions as equal, unconvinced by proof or evidence, recognize the diversity of ways of knowing: tradition, feelings, experiences, emotions, community, and especially testimony from trusted people, and think of Christians in a negative sense: hate, fear, power, and violence.

Hence, evangelism in the postmodern world requires authenticity, hospitality, testimony, and using stories.

The creative arts need to be introduced into preaching, teaching, and evangelism ministries. Metaphors of sin in postmodernism: selfrighteousness, shame, and the idea of being owned by whatever we're living for. Postmodern are less individualistic, hence have a sense of belonging, and are rediscovering the idea of shame. Wisdom literature gives good entry points for conversation with postmodern youngsters.

Those engaged in evangelism have merged their own culture with the gospel and hence tend to impose their culture on others. Language learning includes idioms, metaphors, and illustrations. "Some cultures prefer a propositional, point-by-point presentation. Other cultures prefer stories, illustrations, and examples. All of this affects the way we communicate." (Page 135) The author

suggests tools to read and interpret the culture: A person's system of thoughts; Certain themes and counter themes; and Storyline: What is their mission, who are the bad guys and good guys, and what does a happy ending look like? Stories and analogies do not provide reason or evidence but make it plausible to proclaim the truth. There is an existential cry for transcendence, meaning, community, love, freedom, forgiveness, intimacy, uniqueness, connection, usefulness, approval, harmony, wisdom, and redemption. As Paul did in Athens, a missionary should Enter, Challenge, and fulfill. Paul began by finding a text from the culture.

“And with recent shifts in culture, media, and technology over the past two decades, the majority of Americans may also be concreterelational learners as well. This simply means they prefer learning from stories and not from abstract concepts.” (Page 173)

No one followed when the parents in a certain country were instructed to give boiled water to kids to keep them from sickness. They changed the message into a video clip: “One night Mary boiled water and gave her baby. From then on, the baby did not become sick.” There was a real change in parents behavior and attitude and started doing what they saw Mary doing – the boiling of water.

Abstract learning is propositional, ideational, and theoretical.

Concrete-relational learning is through stories. “Estimates are that four out of five people in the Western world prefer concrete-relational learning. And nine out of ten non-Westerners prefer concreterelational learning.” (Page 174) Stories work because: First, they communicate concepts without using the words for those concepts. Second, stories make the listener see through the worldview of the narrator. Third, it is implicit learning rather than explicit learning.

“Topical preaching, as well as expository preaching, can both perform the speech act of the gospel.” (Page 192) The author provides templates for preparing topical sermons. There should be four aspects: 1) The exegetical idea: What is the biblical author saying? 2) The theological big idea: What timeless truth is the biblical author saying? 3) The homiletical big idea: What is this talk saying? 4) Bumper Sticker big idea: What do I want the audience to remember?

Three important aspects in gospel communication: Logos: What I say, Pathos: the way I make you feel (your emotions, passions), and Ethos: the way I live (my character). The analogy of a human rider sitting on the back of an elephant. The rider is the reason, the elephant is the emotions. It is not the rider, but the elephant decides where the rider should end up. People do not change their worldviews because of evidence alone. Using Reason, logic, and argumentation – logos, people are not

persuaded. Stories, emotions, experiences, and action helps them – pathos and ethos.

People progress gradually from being Hostile, open, considering, trying it out, entry-level, switching, and loyal.

This book is a brilliant work that is relevant for those in the West to rediscover the art of evangelizing. There are two things the author fails to address: Though he is an Asian, does not provide insights about the cultures that are still stuck in primitive or early modern stages in Asia, Africa, and South America. Will they emerge into the postmodern stage later or leapfrog into the postmodern world? Second, he tends to exalt culture in certain areas, missing that Scripture judges cultures.

A good book for pastors, missionaries, and those who are involved in evangelism should read. It could be compulsory reading for seminary students.

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Evangelism in a Skeptical World - Course Materials

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Evangelism in a Skeptical World

. Equipping Christians with the Principles
and Skills to Tell the Unbelievable News

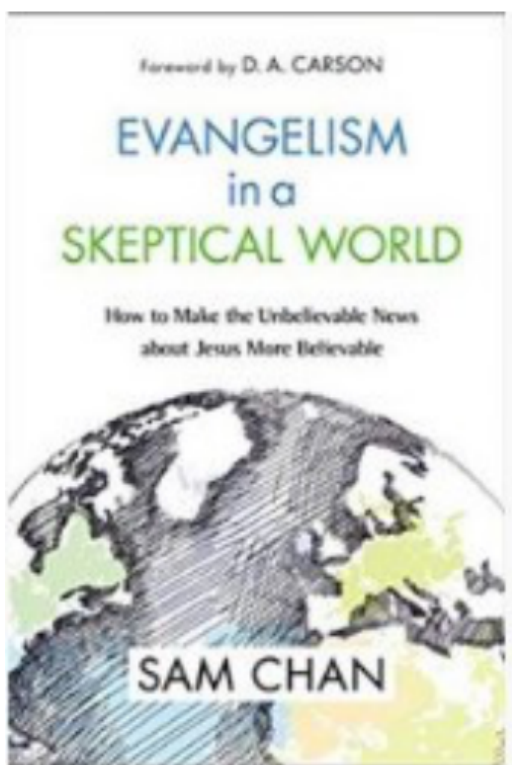
about Jesus to Friends in a Skeptical World

Curated by Sam Chan

Website: TGC Course | Evangelism in a
Skeptical World (thegospelcoalition.org)

Course Sections:

Introduction
Everyday Evangelism
Connecting the Church with the Skeptical
World
Story-Telling the Gospel
How to Give Topical Evangelistic Talks
How to Give Expository Evangelistic Talks
Evangelism and Defeater Beliefs



Evangelism in a Skeptical World course resource.

Fuel for Prayer

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Please pray for Global DRM in your personal prayer, family prayer, fasting prayer and in a small group.

Day 1: Mission Trip: Praise God for PJ to visit India and Nepal. Pray for an opportunity to train student and student leaders in 'God's Big Picture'. Pray that the training will be useful for the participants and apply in their life.

Day 2: Praise for DRM office brain storming session and the decision taken in the meeting. Pray that DRM implement the Gospel shaped discipleship curriculum in small group.

Day 3: Praise God for the Gospel Shaped discipleship training to DRM office staff and core group went on well. Pray that the participants to understand the gospel is the basis for the discipleship and making disciples.

Day 4: Raipur Visit: Praise God for 'God's Big Picture' training 60 people in Raipur. Pray that God enables the participants to read and meditate God's word. Pray for the pastors who come forward to follow up their own congregation.

Day 5: Praise God for an opportunity to speak in Nepal Church. Pray for Puran Lama, Dean, NPTC, Hannah and David who are doing God's ministry in Nepal.

Day 6: Praise God for NBCBS training (IFES Nepal) 'God's Big Picture' to Students, staff and volunteers. Pray that God enables them to teach to others and use it in their group bible study

Day 7: Perth: Praise God for the Christmas celebration 2023. Pray for the participants to join in the fellowship and involve in DRM Aussie fellowship.

Day 8: Praise God for the centralised fellowship and cover the topic of 'The Gospel Shaped Relationship'. Let us pray that God enables them to understand the

gospel and allow his spirit to transform their life.

Day 9: Praise God the weekend away 2024. Pray for the family that they rooted in God's word.

Day 10: Perth—upcoming events: Pray for the Easter Celebration 2024 on 23rd March 24. Pray for Stanley Jeyaraj sharing God's word. Pray for God to speak with individuals to know the new covenant. P for John to teach how to make wrap.

Day 11: Pray for 18th May Prime conference in Perth. P for Sam Ebenezer coordinating the program. P for participants to attend from health care.

Day 12: Pray for one day retreat on 1st June and half day retreat on 31st May 2024 in Perth. P for Isaac Joe and coordinator Sam Ebenezer. Pray for the music team

Day 13: Praise God for DRM Aussie Core group met at first time to discuss about different program and the ministry in Perth,

Australia. Pray for members involvement: Sam, Peter, Ninan, Prabakaran, Pearline, and John.

Day 14: P for Young Adult (YA) program in Perth. P to form a core group to develop ministry according to the need. P that people to come forward to join in the team. P for parents to encourage YA to participate in the fellowship.

Day 15: Pray for Perth BS group to initiate 'Men's shed' group to understand the need and talk to each other various issues and pray.

Day 16: Praise God for meeting Germany friends via zoom. P for Soul Winner and Isaac to meet monthly once for BS. P for Isaac God has to give wisdom to take God's big Picture in a small group in Stuttgart.

Day 17: P God has to give wisdom to formulate strategy to reach out people in Germany. P for God to raise leaders in different provinces. P God to enable to start a small group in Frankfurt.

Day 18: P for Canada zoom monthly fellowship. Pray for Pintu and Paul who attended regularly. BS has completed 1 Peter, planning to take topical studies and invite others. P for their involvement and try to form face to face group in Canada.

Day 19: Pray for 8 provinces in Canada. P that God has to raise disciples in each provinces. Prayer points need to be developed and circulated among friends in Canada. P for student ministry in college campuses.

Day 20: Pray for middle East team, meet first time to discuss about the ministry. P for 18 counties. P for one representative in each country. P for disciples to pray regularly for their own country and involve in local church.

Day 21: Srilanka Ministry: P for opening in Jaffna and remote areas. P for Christie Samuel and Suresh to organise program with pastors and layleaders. P that God to give wisdom to establish ministry in Colombo and Jaffna.

Day 22: DRM India: Pray for staff workers: James Ratnaraj, Samuel Ganeshan, Selvadurai, Vikas John and Joseph to establish discipleship ministry in and around their areas. P God has to open the door in north India States. Pray for new minister Achish who joined recently.

Day 23: Pray for a new young general secretary to lead DRM india. God has to provide a good shepherd to care and take care of the organisation and build a ministry in unique way.

Day 25: Pray for mission trip to Nepal in may 2024. Pray for Kumar to organise training program for pastors, youth leaders, in Bhutwal and Pokhara.

Day 26: Pray for Shared Lama who has come forward to translate 'God's Plan for Salavation' in Nepali Language. Pray God has to raise local missionary in Nepal.

Day 27: Pray God to open discipleship ministry in Adelaide, Melbourne, Brisbane and Darwin.

Day 28: Pray for opening in Indonesia, Bangladesh in future.

Day 29: Pray for God to raise people to introduce DRM in other countries. P for developing one to one discipleship training materials

Day 30: Pray for whatsapp P2P- Person to person, pray and encourage one another.

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Recommended Books to Read

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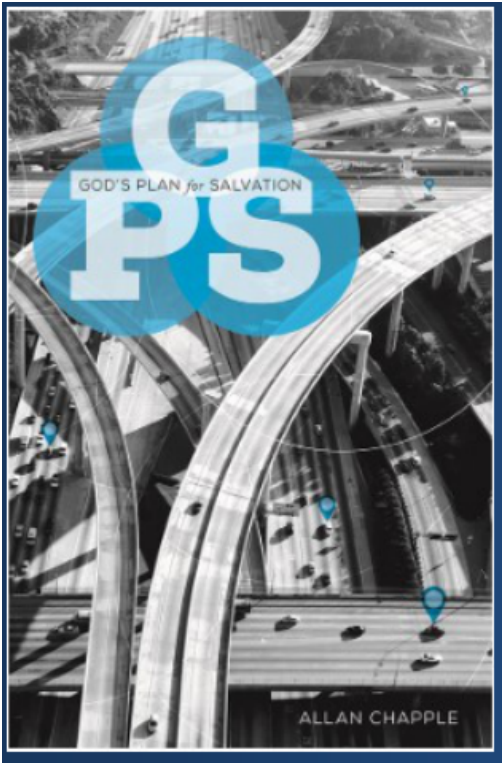
GPS: God's Plan for Salvation aims to give readers direction in finding their way around in the Bible, highlighting what shapes and holds it together. More importantly, it's to help Christians live in line with God's great purposes, in a way that truly honours him

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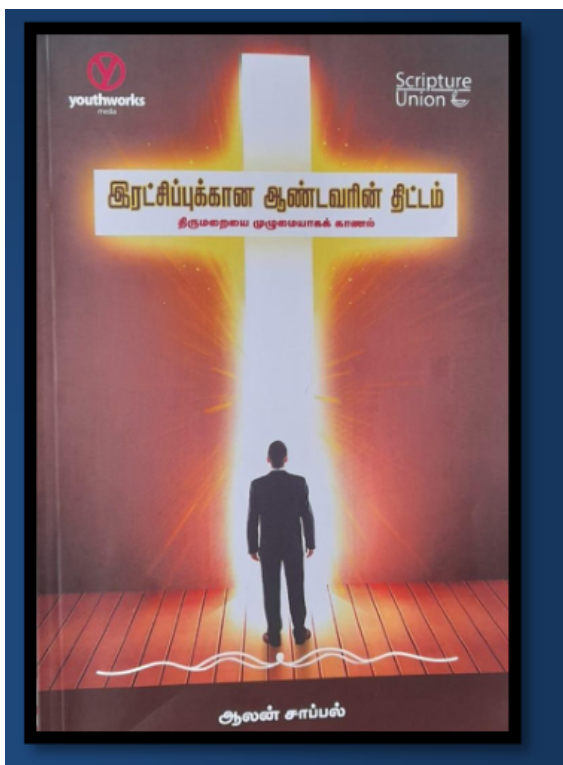
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Mission Trip to Nepal

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Discipleship Renewal Retreat - God's Big Picture

Butwal: 7-9 May 2024

Pokhara: 12-14 May 2024



Please Pray for:

- Good relationship with people in Nepal, specially with leaders who arrange program through churches.
- Main Coordinator and translator: Kumar.
- Resource material preparation in Nepali Language. It will be useful for the participants to understand God's word and apply in their life.
- Health, safe travel and preparation for session of Peter Joseph.
- Participants to grow in deeper relationship with God and be equipped

to serve God.

- Work of the Holy Spirit: God to open the spiritual eyes to see him

through his word.

- Expected participants believers, elders, pastors and youth leaders to

attend.

- God works in hearts and understand his word as PJ teaches “God’s Big

Picture”.

- Teaching God’s Big Picture to 1 and 2nd year students in Nepal

Presbyterian Theological College—Kathmandu.

- Translation of GPS (God’s Plan for Salvation) book from English to

Nepali language by Shared Lama. Identify Nepal Christian Publishers.

- God to open DRM Nepal ministries in

other districts.

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About Global DRM

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Call to inherit the nations

God called Abraham - and promised to bless all the nations through him! Through one man God wanted to bring blessings to all nations.

King David echoed the same, focussing on the messianic king, in Psalm in Ps. 2:8 :

“God will give the nations as inheritance”. God’s promises are fulfilled in Jesus Christ who is the descendant of Abraham and David, to bring all nations to his kingdom which is an everlasting kingdom through Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ has given the command “to make disciples of nations”. As Jesus Christ inherited the nations from his father, we have become his brother through His work on the cross and resurrection, to inherit the nations by proclaiming his gospel to all nations.

The Global DRM has taken Jesus’ final words as Global vision: : “Being disciples and making disciples of all nations”. We need you to disciple the nations and bring the nations to the grand finale of worshipping Him in heaven with all nations.

Global Vision: “Being disciples and making disciples of all nations”

Global Mission:

- To train disciples to shape their life to be Gospel focussed, grace oriented and mission minded
- To teach, nurture, mentor and equip disciples to make disciples in their own nations.
- Disciples to be a blessing to nations, church and society by developing tomorrow's leaders.
- To establish DRM in 170 nations with the help of local disciples in partnership with the church and Christian organisations.

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