



TITLE:  MIS-111: PERSONAL EVANGELISM

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**TEXT:**

*How To Witness to Anyone*, R.A. Torrey (suggested)  
*The Soul Winner*, C.H. Spurgeon (strongly suggested)  
*Becoming A Contagious Christian*, Mittleberg, Strobel, Hybels  
*Simple Steps* by Bill Hybels (if available)  
*Shorter Catechism with Scripture Proofs*  
 Nelson’s NKJV Study Bible.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Christians have opportunities to witness and to win others to Christ, but how can they succeed when they do not know what to do or what to say? The purpose of this course is to show Christians not only how to memorize Scripture and how to use specific passages in leading a seeking soul to the Savior, but how to tell their personal story in a relational context. Additionally, the themes in the Westminster Catechism will be discussed with a view to being able to provide a means of apologetics within the witnessing context.

**GOALS:**

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| I. A Brief Overview of Historic and Cultural Approaches | V. Who Should Do Personal Evangelism? |
| II. The Foundational Mission of the Church              | VI. Evangelistic Methods              |
| III. Approaching Modern Culture                         | VII. Ignorance of the Scriptures      |
| IV. What is Personal Evangelism?                        | VIII. A Model of Evangelism           |
|   | IX. The Role of Apologetics           |
|   | X. Resources Addendum                 |

**REQUIREMENTS:**

A term paper consisting of 4-6 written pages on the topic will be required on the date of the last class. The underlying theme of this paper must focus on “justification by faith.” A minimum of two (2) outside sources must be cited other than the Study Guide and the Bible. It is an absolute requirement of this course that the final revision you submit be, in the judgment of the instructor, a thorough and responsible piece of scholarship, representing college-level work both in form and in content. You may use the material you found in the reading assignments to formulate your ideas for your paper.

**RESOURCES:**

GOOD READING DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE TOPIC IN ADDITION TO THE STUDY GUIDE’S BIBLIOGRAPHY:  
(ALL BOOKS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.SOTL.ORG/PUBLIC/PRODSERV.HTM USING THE SEARCH FEATURES AT EITHER CHRISTIAN BOOKS OR AT AMAZON.COM)  
 Bright, Bill. *How You Can Be a Fruitful Witness*, New Life Resources, 1998  
 Bright, Bill. *Witnessing Without Fear*, Thomas Nelson, 1993  
 Cameron, Kirk, and Comfort, Ray. *The Way of the Master*, Tyndale House, 2004  
 Cameron, Kirk, and Comfort, Ray. *The School of Biblical Evangelism*, Bridge-Logos, 2004  
 Cooper, William. *Witnessing Made Simple*, Faithworks Publications, 2001  
 Innes, Dick. *I Hate Witnessing: A Handbook for Effective Christian Communication*, Faithworks Publications, 2001  
 Little, Paul. *Witnessing: How to Give Away Your Faith Christian Basics Bible Studies*, Inter-varsity Press, 1996  
 McDowell, Josh. *More Than a Carpenter*, Tyndale House, 1977  
 Petersen, Jim. *Living Proof: Sharing the Gospel Naturally*, NavPress, 1989  
 Pointer, Lyle. *Evangelism in Everyday Life: Shaping Your Faith*, Beacon Hill Press, 1998  
 Ryken, Philip. *Is Jesus the Only Way?*, Good News Publishing, 2000  
 Sjogren, Steve. *101 Ways to Reach Your Community*, NavPress, 2001  
 Smith, Daniel. *How to Lead a Child to Christ*, Moody Publishers, 1987

**OTHER SOURCES WORTH READING:** Find established authors and review their materials in addition to those listed above. These are not required reading for the class.

## COURSE SCHEDULE

INTRODUCTION TO PERSONAL EVANGELISM (MIS-111):

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<u>WEEK :</u>	<u>SECTIONS</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>
Week – 1 2 October 2011	Intro to Course Study Guide pp. 8 – 15 “Sin” Mark Driscoll	Preparation for the course. Watch the screen for additional essay assignments! “The Early Church,” “Jesus – the Model Soulwinner,” “Keys to Church Growth,” “Why You Need to be Involved,” “Covenant Relationship.”
Week – 2 12 November 2011	Study Guide pp. 15 – 23	Homework 1 and Essays due today. “Relational Evangelism,” “Witnessing Workshop” Quiz #1 (covers HOMEWORK I)
Week – 3 26 November 2011	Study Guide pp. 23 – 45 Contagious Christian 1 & 2	Homework 2 and Essays due today. Quiz #2 (covers HOMEWORK II) Watch the screen for additional essay assignments!
Week – 4 10 December 2011	Study Guide pp. 45 – 54 Contagious Christian 3 & 4	Homework 3 and Essays due today. Quiz #3 (covers HOMEWORK III) Mid-Term Exam: Covers HOMEWORK I, II, III Watch the screen for additional essay assignments!
Week – 5 24 December 2011	Study Guide pp. 54 – 68 Contagious Christian 5 & 6	Homework 4 and Essays due today. Quiz #4 (covers HOMEWORK IV) Watch the screen for additional essay assignments!
Week – 6 7 January 2012	Final Exam “Discovering My Life Mission” (“Becoming Outward Focused” if time allows)	Homework 5 and Essays due today. Term paper and essays due today. Quiz #5 (covers HOMEWORK V) Final Exam: Covers HOMEWORK IV – V

**EVALUATION:** Attendance, homework, quizzes, tests, exams, term paper, reading log, and class participation. All students must evaluate the course itself by reporting, in writing, any errors or discrepancies in the course material. This includes any printed matter that accompanies the study guide such as that mentioned in this paragraph. All written work must be a formal word-processed document. It is to be double-spaced, one inch margins on all sides, left justified, 12 point font, Arial or Times New Roman, 0.5 indented paragraphs and free of grammatical and spelling errors, have a cover sheet, and a works cited page. \*\*\*\*\*Each Spiritual essay, as applicable, should be one page, typed, one-inch margins, and double-spaced. If you do not have access to a typewriter or a computer, you will be hand-writing your paper, then each paper needs to be two pages. To complete this step of the homework you will hand in either one or two pages for each spiritual essay depending on handwritten or typed.

**STUDY ASSISTANCE:** As outlined in class and during “office hours.”

→Citing Biblical References primer— [http://catholic-resources.org/Bible/Biblical\\_References.htm](http://catholic-resources.org/Bible/Biblical_References.htm)

→Grammar & Writing for Seminarians— <http://www.crossmarks.com/resources/grammarwrite.htm>

→Guidelines and Tips for Written Exercises— <http://catholic-resources.org/Courses/WritingTips.htm>

These are helpful sources in writing your required term paper for the class.

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND HONESTY:** You are strongly encouraged to study together with other students, and you may always use any books and other resources to help you learn. However, all written work must be your own, unless you are directly citing from sources that you properly credit. Copying from any other person, any book, or anything on the internet (even if you change a few words), without properly referencing your sources, is considered plagiarism and will result in a failing grade for the entire course.