Evangelism Stories

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This set of Gospel stories are chosen to help people to see how relevant Jesus is to their lives.

We recommend you use D1 and D2 stories for initial evangelism. But you may feel that other stories are more appropriate initially. The Evangelism Path suggests numerous other stories you might consider.

It is up to you to pray through these stories and see what ideas the Holy Spirit gives you.

Feel free to discuss in the WhatsApp group or through the contact form how any of these stories could be used.

E1 For Community / Religious Leaders

This is part of the E-Path: Evangelism Stories.

Motto: Love one another – Go and make disciples

Luke 9:23

Luke 9:23 Jesus said "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?"

Luke 11:46

Luke 11:46 Jesus said "And you experts in the law, woe to you, because you load people down with burdens they can hardly carry, and you yourselves will not lift one finger to help them."

What good news is in this story?

Luke 11:52

Luke 11:52 Jesus said "Woe to you experts in the law, because you have taken away the key to knowledge. You yourselves have not entered, and you have hindered those who were entering."

What good news is in this story?

Luke 12:2

Luke 12:2 Jesus said "There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What you have said in the dark will be heard in the daylight, and what you have whispered in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed from the roofs. I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him."

What good news is in this story?

Luke 16:13-15

Luke 16:13-15 Jesus said "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money (or Poro/Sande)." The Pharisees (Poro priests), who loved money (Poro/Sande), heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God's sight."

What good news is in this story?

2 Corinthians 6:14

2 Corinthians 6:14 Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people." Therefore, "Come out from them and be separate," says the Lord.

What good news is in this story?

John 10:10

John 10:10 Jesus said "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

What good news is in this story?

Proverbs 29:2

Proverbs 29:2 When the godly are in authority, the people rejoice. But when the wicked are in power, they groan.

What good news is in this story?

E2 For Muslims

John 15:15-16 Friendship with God

John 15:15-16 Jesus said "I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you."

What good news is in this story?

Matthew 11:28-30 Rest for our Souls

Matthew 11:28-30 Jesus said "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

What good news is in this story?

Jesus the Son of God

John 1:1-5 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. John 1:17-18 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only Son, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known. (ESV)

John 10:30 Jesus said "I and the Father are one."

Luke 9:35 And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!"

What good news is in this story?

Salvation from God, not our fleshly works

John 6:63 Jesus said "The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. Yet there are some of you who do not believe."

Mark 1:15 Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

Acts 26:18 Jesus said "I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are made righteous by faith in me."

What good news is in this story?

Learning about God and Jesus

Matthew 11:27 Jesus said "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him."

John 6:45 Jesus said "Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me."

John 16:13 Jesus said "The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth."

What good news is in this story?

E3 Other Stories

Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd

Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me

all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is on me

Luke 4:18 Jesus said "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to

proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

What good news is in this story?

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What good news is in this story?

Luke 8:43 A Woman Healed

Luke 8:43 And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped. "Who touched me?" Jesus asked. When they all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you." But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me." Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed. Then he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace."

John 4:4-42 The Woman at the Well

This long story should be told from memory. It is engaging and should lead into much discussion.

Luke 5:29 Levi's Dinner Party

Luke 5:27 After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at his tax booth. "Follow me," Jesus said to him, and Levi got up, left everything and followed him. Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

E4 Training Stories from Luke

Here are some suggested stories from Luke that could be used in training people in mission.

It is up to you to pray through these stories and see what ideas the Holy Spirit gives you.

Feel free to discuss with your fellow apprentices how any of these stories could be used.

Key:

- F: Foundational teaching
- GG: Training for Growth Groups

MC: Training for Missional Communities

- ST: Story-telling
- PS: Repentance from Poro/Sande

Luke's Gospel

- 4:14 Announcement of the Kingdom (F).
- 4:23 Synagogue rejection of Jesus (MC).
- 4:43 Proclaim the good news of the kingdom. (MC).
- 5:1 Calling of Peter. Example of repentance. (F).
- 5:17 Man through roof Jesus has authority to forgive sins (F).
- 5:27 Meal with Levi. (MC).
- 5:36 New wine people think the old is better (MC).
- 6:46 Wise and foolish builders (GG)
- 7:36 Simon's dinner party (ST).
- 8:5 4 soils. (GG).

9:12 Feeding 5000 (F, MC).

9:23 Deny yourself (F, PS).

9:35 Listen to him (GG).

10:1 Sending 70 (MC).

10:38 Mary and Martha (GG).

11:33 Light in our lives (GG).

11:46 Loading heavy burdens (GG, MC, PS).

11:52 "You have taken away the key to knowledge..." (PS)

12:2 There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known (PS).

12:4 Fear God not man (PS).

12:22 Do not worry about food... (F).

13:6 Fruitless fig tree in vineyard (GG, MC).

13:20 Yeast in the dough (MC).

14:26 Cost of discipleship (F).

14:34 Salt that loses its saltiness (MC).

15:1 Lost sheep. Evangelism creates more heavenly rejoicing than worship...(MC).

15:11 Lost (prodigal) son (F).

16:1 Dishonest manager commended. An advanced lesson in interpreting parables (GG).

16:9-15 Attitudes towards money and other cultural norms. "What people value highly is detestable in God's sight." (MC, F, PS).

18:1-8 Persistent widow; a parable of prayer that needs careful explanation (GG).

18:15 Let the children come to Jesus (GG, MC).

19:1 Zacchaeus: Jesus didn't say "come to the synagogue" but "I must eat in your house" (GG, MC).

19:11 Talents. Go and multiply what you have been given (GG, MC).