

## LECTURE # 15

### NOUTHETIC COUNSELING: AN OPEN DOOR FOR EVANGELISM

#### I. WHAT IS EVANGELISM?

- A. It is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel to those who have not heard the good news.
- B. The preaching of the gospel is the means that God has ordained to use to produce the \_\_\_\_\_ for justification. (Romans 1:16)
- C. Counseling provides a wonderful opportunity to proclaim the gospel.

#### II. WHO WAS THE GREATEST \_\_\_\_\_ ?

- A. The \_\_\_\_\_ is our best model.
- B. Jesus ministered the gospel in the context of \_\_\_\_\_.

#### III. WE HAVE THE SAME \_\_\_\_\_ AND OPPORTUNITY.

- A. Submission to the gospel brings \_\_\_\_\_
- B. The church offers a \_\_\_\_\_
- C. People will come for answers and help
- D. Many are searching for \_\_\_\_\_ and a place of security, love, and acceptance.
- E. Just as the crowds followed Jesus to be healed and fed and blessed, many will come to us hoping to find \_\_\_\_\_ for their desperate needs.

**IV. RECENT OPPORTUNITIES AT WBC****V. MOVING FROM THE \_\_\_\_\_ NEEDS TO THE \_\_\_\_\_ NEED**

- A. Another term for felt need is \_\_\_\_\_ problem
- B. The foundational need of every human being is to have a right \_\_\_\_\_ with God
- C. Just trying to change behavior results in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Ability to walk in true righteousness is only through transformation of the human heart based solely on the \_\_\_\_\_ work of Christ.
- E. Analogy of the cracked drywall caused by a poor foundation

**VI. A PRIMARY GOAL: PRESENT THE \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. Our first priority as counselors is to call the counselee into a relationship with God through faith in Christ and repentance from his sins.
- B. Pre-counseling is \_\_\_\_\_ because few people understand the true gospel.
- C. Deficiencies of the modernized gospel.
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_ centered instead of \_\_\_\_\_ centered
  - 2. Minimization of \_\_\_\_\_ and depravity
  - 3. Emphasis on man's response instead of God's \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Holding to the true gospel is essential (Galatians 1:6-12)

**VII. WE MUST \_\_\_\_\_ THE GOSPEL TO PRESENT IT**

- A. Needs to be more than a \_\_\_\_\_ understanding
- B. Often a canned presentation is not effective
- C. We need to be able to communicate the gospel in an accurate, understandable way
- D. What is the gospel?

*The Gospel is the good news that Jesus Christ, the righteous Son of God came to earth, lived a perfect life of obedience, died upon the cross a Calvary for sinners, and rose again from the dead. Through his work, Jesus Christ alone provides both forgiveness from one's sins and presents one as righteous before God the Father. 1 Corinthians 15:1-8:*

**VIII. SIX ESSENTIAL GOSPEL DOCTRINES**

- A. Biblical Concept of the Nature and Person of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Not a bigger version of man – rather \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ and sustainer of all matter and life
  - 3. He has the right to demand and require the creation's obedience and loyalty Revelation 4:11
  - 4. He is perfectly righteous and holy; that is His perfect standard I John 1:5
- B. Biblical Concept of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Person and work of Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel
  - 2. Christ is the perfect and true \_\_\_\_\_ of God
  - 3. Christ is eternal and co-existent with the Father and Spirit
  - 4. Christ took on \_\_\_\_\_; He never ceased to be God, but took on the form of a man so He could bear the penalty for our sin and be the sacrifice needed to satisfy the righteous requirements of God on our behalf.

5. Christ died to \_\_\_\_\_ the elect of God. Through His death, Christ paid the penalty for sin, not His own, for He was sinless, but the sins of all those who put their full faith and trust in Him. His death satisfied the righteous requirements of the law. In His death, Christ took the place of sinners. Their sin was imputed to Christ, and Christ's righteousness was imputed to them. II Cor 5:21
6. Christ is coming back, and when He returns He will \_\_\_\_\_ every man according to his works.

C. Biblical Concept of the \_\_\_\_\_

1. The Bible is a unique book, it is the very Word of God, and therefore \_\_\_\_\_.
2. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to address the needs of our lives.  
II Peter 1:2-4

D. Biblical Concept of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Major difference from psychologically based counseling
2. Man is God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 2-3)
3. Man is \_\_\_\_\_, weak, and limited in contrast to God who is infinite and omnipotent
4. Man is \_\_\_\_\_, as opposed to God who is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Man has a spirit, being created in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Gen. 2:7)
6. Man is distinct from animal creation; he is moral, he has a conscience
7. He can make moral choices, and is therefore morally responsible
8. All men are born in Adam, and have inherited a \_\_\_\_\_ nature
9. This nature manifests in sinful actions, \_\_\_\_\_, and choices
10. Because man is a sinner, apart from God's grace, not one \_\_\_\_\_ God
11. Man stands guilty before a holy God; Sin is at the root of all problems
12. In Christ, man can be \_\_\_\_\_ and set free from sin

## E. The Doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Answers the question, “How can a sinner be righteous and therefore accepted and in fellowship with a holy God.”
2. Definition for justification: Justification is that act whereby God, on the sole basis of Jesus Christ’s redemptive work, declares sinners not only as forgiven, but also as \_\_\_\_\_ before God. The righteousness that God requires of those whom He adopts as His sons is therefore a foreign righteousness rather than a natural one.
3. To be justified is to have a right \_\_\_\_\_ before God. It is being counted righteous and without sin.
4. The sole means of obtaining this type of righteousness is through \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ, as opposed to good works.

## F. The Distinction Between \_\_\_\_\_ and Justification.

1. Both are aspects of salvation, but are distinct.
2. Justification is \_\_\_\_\_ of God; there is no human element in justification.
3. Justification comes to us the moment we believe, and that faith is a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Once we are justified, then we begin the process of spiritual growth, which is \_\_\_\_\_. The primary goal of Biblical counseling is the progressive sanctification of a believer more and more into the image of Christ Jesus.
5. This putting off of sinful habits and putting on of righteous behavior does not merit God’s favor, but is rather enabled by His favor which was a free gift that He chose to bestow upon us.
6. Sanctification also comes through the power of the \_\_\_\_\_, not merely our human effort.