

Sermon Notes
Just Walk Across the Room
Part 1: The People Priority

What will it take for you to just walk across the room?

3 Prerequisites to Walking Across the Room

You likely won't walk across a room unless you know and understand that:

#1. Christians are in the _____ business.

Top Priorities

- The Great Commandment: Mark 12:29-31
Love God and love people with everything you've got.

- The Great Commission: Matthew 28:19-20
Make disciples of all people.

- The Great Calling: 2 Corinthians 5:20
We are Christ's representatives to people.

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#2. You have a heart full of love for _____.

Matthew 9:35-36: ³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

v.35 Jesus got up off his seat and onto the streets to where the people were.

v. 36

Saw: to perceive, understand, observe

The Crowds: the masses, the general population

Compassion: tenderness, empathy, genuine concern, sympathy

---Jesus' heart went out to the people---

Why?

Harrassed: distressed, troubled, battered, worn out

Helpless: unable to cope with life on their own

Sheep without a shepherd: no leader, no guide, no one to save them

Jesus felt deep rooted compassion for people because He knew they were hurting people in need (Matthew 9:35-36)

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#3 the Holy Spirit prompts and leads you to _____.

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Galatians 5:25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

These days, I'm more convinced than ever that the absolute highest value in personal evangelism is staying attuned to and cooperative with the Holy Spirit. Bill Hybels

Where you begin.....

1. Complete a list of people in your sphere of influence (Friends, Family, Co-workers, Neighbors & Acquaintances)
2. Pray regularly for each person
3. Be ready & available for opportunities to walk across the room

Luke 15:10 *In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.*

People have great value to God!

**All People Matter!
It's time to walk across the room**