

Evangelism:

How to be better at it, If you are not good at it.

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Background

1. He was falsely accused in Jerusalem by some Jews.
2. He was transferred to Caesarea for safety
3. The Jewish leaders demanded that he be returned to Jerusalem to be tried.
4. Paul appealed to Caesar in Rome
5. Paul is transported to Rome and is under house arrest for two years.

What did he do under house arrest for two years?

He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance. Acts 28:30-31

Paul's Evangelistic Tips

1. Be _____
Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:10-12

2. Be _____

...praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, also for me. Ephesians 6:18-19

3. Be wise with your _____

...also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak. Ephesians 6:19-20

4. Be on _____

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 1 Corinthians 15:1-5

5. Be an _____

...for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak. Ephesians 6:20

6. Be _____

Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly. Acts 4:29, 31

**"You are God's plan A for reaching your world —
and He has no plan B."**