

WHAT HAVE YOU FOUND TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN WITNESSING TO MUSLIM

Be informed about Islam

I know to talk about witnessing to Muslims is an important subject, but we can't do in 10 or 15 minutes. I would like to inform you that Islam controls mostly third world nations; it is beginning to slowly invade Western Europe, America, Australia, Russia, and China.

Some Christians believe that you do not need to learn about Islam, all you need to do is to go out there and "preach the Gospel. For this occasion I would like to tell you that, the country where I'm coming from Cameroon, the numbers of Muslim is growing.

Now for us a Christian we must to work hard otherwise we will be in trouble. To evangelize a Muslim is better to know something about Islam.

What we should know: we are fishermen us bait to catch fish. There are many things we can do how to evangelize the Muslims not the theories things but the practical things:

Last time I won a Muslim after two months I baptized him

1. Be a friend

Friendship evangelism is an important as proclamation evangelism, be a friend to the Muslim. What we should know, the center of Muslim culture is friendship. The friendship is very important to Muslim, because the relationship is more important than individualism.

2. Be Hospitable

Hospitality is opening your home for your friends. This is how things are in Muslim cultures. Hospitality more with your Muslim friend than you might be used to.

Do not just invite him to a restaurant. Rather asking him to come and eat at your home with the family! (And by the way, when you do that do not cook or present any pork before him!) He will feel much more comfortable with you when you ask him to come to your home.

3. Give your testimony

Your most powerful witness will be your personal testimony. After all, it happened to you and only you. No one knows its power like you do and no more can ever convince you of the opposite.

So return to the simplicity and power of giving your personal testimony like you used to do joyfully when you first got saved. Also, do not be intimidated if you don't think you have a "powerful" testimony. You do not need to have been a drug addict, or Satanic priest, or an alcoholic or violent person, in order to have a testimony that you think is worth talking about! Most Christians did not have such background so you are in the majority.

Yet all Christians had die common backgrounds of sin at one time or another before the faith! Some were hard sinners, and some were softer sinners, but all had the sin nature. All committed sinful acts, and none was righteous! Sin is sin in the sight of God and missing the mark by an inch or a mile is still missing the mark and falling short of the glory of God!

You do have a testimony to give, so give it as it is! In fact, you were one who thought of yourself as a "good" person and was even a bit self-righteous, and then you might have a more powerful testimony to give to a Muslim than the ex-drug addict! Remember that Muslims rely on their own good works for their salvation, as well as on observing the letter of the Law to the best of their ability. Hence, you will surely capture their attention with a testimony that many of them, especially the religious, can readily identify with! Open your mouth and speak, and let the Lord use what He has done for you to touch your Muslim friend.

4. SHOW LOVE

Do not say that I love you just on the lips, but show the love through the actions (1Jn 3 : 18-19). Give your time and talent, give him the gift, build a strong a bridge to his heart.

5. Pray for them

Nothing can be accomplished in the kingdom that will be of an

eternal value without prayer. Therefore, it is very important to pray for the Muslims and specifically for that friend whom God sent your way.

You are responsible and privileged by God to pray for that person as well as to reach them. So baptize all your efforts with prayer. Do not just pray when things get hot, but be steady in prayer even when things seem to be going well in your relationship with your friend. And when you pray, make sure to spend some quality time in intercession for that person, because you are wrestling with principalities and powers and not with flesh and blood. Your problem is not their hard character and closed mindedness. Your real problem is the spirit behind their religion who blinds them to the truth and makes them hold on to a lie. Get involved in local prayer groups for the Muslims .If there is none around you, why not start one yourself?

6. What not to do when witnessing to Muslims.

1. Do not speak negatively about Mohammad
2. Do not speak negatively about the Quran
3. Do not speak negatively about Allah
4. Do not start your testimony with the trinity .
5. Do not use the term "Son of God" as the title of Jesus
6. Do not witness to the opposite sex alone

CONCLUSION: To win a Muslim takes time, but be patient and confident in the Lord.

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