

What does Evangelism look like?

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Intro – Story

Mark 2:14-17 NLT

¹³ Then Jesus went out to the lakeshore again and taught the crowds that were coming to him.¹⁴ As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at his tax collector's booth. "Follow me and be my disciple," Jesus said to him. So Levi got up and followed him.

¹⁵ Later, Levi invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with his fellow tax collectors and many other notorious sinners. (There were many people of this kind among Jesus' followers.) ¹⁶ But when the teachers of religious law who were Pharisees saw him eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such scum?"

¹⁷ When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call sinners, not those who think they are already good enough."

-Jesus is an everyday, real person.

-Jesus saw potential when others saw problems.

-Jesus got along well with sinners.

"The poor in spirit are the most nonjudgmental of peoples; they get along well with sinners. They are aware of their lack of wholeness, their brokenness, the simple fact that they don't have it all together. While they do not excuse their sin, they are humbly aware that sin is precisely what has caused them to throw themselves at the mercy of the Father. They do not pretend to be anything but what they are: sinners saved by grace." Brennan Manning, *Ragamuffin Gospel*

What you have to do to evangelize.

-Understand, you don't get to choose when you evangelize.

-Get uncomfortable.

-If you don't have any unchurched friends, make some.

-Love people.