

SERMON OUTLINE

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1) INTRODUCTION

a) Psalm 126:5-6

i) This is the soul winner's promise.

b) We are not wise if we are not endeavoring to win souls.

i) Proverbs 11:30

c) Why is it wise to win souls?

i) Because of the great worth and value of a soul.

(1) The Bible does not call us wise if we become wealthy.

(a) It calls us wise if we win souls.

(i) Proverbs 11:30

(2) Mark 8:36

(a) One soul is worth more than all the world.

(3) Why is a soul so valuable?

(a) Because of its desirability.

(i) What makes a thing valuable is the price someone else is willing to pay for it.

1. Does someone want it?

(ii) The Lord Jesus gave His life for you.

1. 1 Peter 1:18-19

2. He values your soul so much that He died, in agony and blood, upon the cross.

(b) Because of its durability.

(i) Your soul will last forever.

(ii) When God made the human soul, He made it in His image.

1. Your soul could never cease to exist anymore than God could cease to exist.

(iii) Your soul will go on endless, timeless, dateless, and measureless.

(iv) There was a time when you were not; there never will be a time when you will not be.

(v) Your soul will exist forever, either in Heaven or in Hell.

1. Hell is a real place of everlasting punishment.

a. Revelation 20:10

(c) Because of its possibility (what your soul can become).

(i) Occupying your seat are three persons:

1. The person you are now.

2. The person you could be and will be if you give your heart to Jesus Christ.

3. The person of vileness and wickedness that you will be ultimately if you turn from the Lord Jesus Christ.

(ii) There is nothing more sacred than a soul made in the image and likeness of God.

- (iii) Each person has the potential of being transformed into the likeness of Jesus Christ, if they will turn to Him as their Lord and Savior.
 - ii) Because of the command of Christ.
 - (1) Soul winning is a command of our Lord.
 - (a) It is not a suggestion.
 - (2) Matthew 28:18-20
 - (a) The word “power” literally means “authority.”
 - (3) No one is wise who disobeys his Master.
 - (a) No matter how faithfully we attend church, how circumspectly we walk, or how liberally we may give, if we are not endeavoring to bring souls to Jesus Christ, then we are disobedient to Him and not wise.
 - (4) We are not following Jesus if we are not soul winners.
 - (a) Matthew 4:19
 - (i) If you are not a fisher of men, then you are not following Jesus.
 - (5) What right does a person have to call himself a follower of Jesus Christ if he willfully disobeys the Lord Jesus?
 - iii) Because of the reward to the soul winner.
 - (1) There is no greater joy and no greater reward in this life and in the world to come than to be a soul winner.
 - (2) Daniel 12:3
 - d) Luke 19:10
 - i) This is why Jesus came to this Earth.
 - e) All of the Bible can be put into two words:
 - i) Come
 - (1) Come to Jesus.
 - ii) Go
 - (1) Go tell others.
- 2) THE SOUL WINNER'S PROGRAM (PSALM 126:6)
- a) Psalm 126:6
 - i) “He that goeth forth.”
 - ii) You will never be a soul winner until you go forth.
 - b) Nothing will take the place of going.
 - c) Some people say that instead of going out soul winning, they just want to live a good life so that others will see their life and come to Jesus.
 - i) People are not saved by your life, but by His death.
 - ii) If you do not tell people how you live the life that you live, then you're taking praise under false pretenses.
 - d) You will never be a soul winner until you start.
 - e) Mark 16:15
 - i) When the Lord said to “Go” and make disciples, it literally means “as you go.”

- ii) Soul winning is like sowing seed.
 - (1) You sow seed in the field.
 - (a) You don't sow seed in the barn.
 - (2) The field is the world.
 - iii) He's not talking about going to a foreign field as a missionary, but as you go into the everyday sphere of your life, you endeavor to win souls.
 - f) What's wrong with many of our churches is that we have become sacred societies for snubbing sinners.
 - i) We somehow think that to be a good Christian, we must disassociate ourselves from those who are lost.
 - (1) But we are to go into all of the world.
 - ii) The problem with sinners is not their sinning.
 - (1) Their problem is that they don't know Jesus.
 - (a) How are they going to hear about Jesus unless we tell them?
 - iii) We are to be spiritually distinct, but not socially segregated.
 - (1) There is a difference between insulation and isolation.
 - (2) We're to go.
 - g) Luke 14:23
 - h) Some people think that instead of going out to win souls, the lost should come to church.
 - i) There is no Scripture in the Bible that tells the lost to come to church.
 - ii) There are many Scriptures in the Bible that command the church to go to the lost.
 - (1) The command is not for them to come, but for us to go.
- 3) THE SOUL WINNER'S PASSION (PSALM 126:5-6)
- a) Psalm 126:5-6
 - i) "He goeth forth and weepeth."
 - ii) We have lost our passion today; we've lost our tears.
 - b) Jesus wept over Jerusalem.
 - i) Luke 19:41
 - (1) The word for "weeping" here is great, convulsive tears.
 - (2) The Lord sobbed from deep down.
 - ii) Luke 13:34
 - c) Acts 20:31
 - i) The Apostle Paul was not too intellectual to weep.
 - d) When was the last time you shed a tear over a lost soul?
 - e) Jeremiah, in the Old Testament, was known as the weeping prophet.
 - i) Jeremiah 9:1
 - f) Tears touch the heart of God.
 - i) Isaiah 38:5
 - g) If you do not have a broken heart for the lost, then go to God and confess it as a sin.

- i) Ask God to give you the eyes of the Lord Jesus who, when He saw the multitudes, was moved with compassion.
 - (1) Matthew 9:36
 - ii) A person who does not have tears for the lost does not have the Spirit of Jesus Christ in them.
 - h) The tragedy today is a dry-eyed church in a Hell-bent world.
- 4) THE SOUL WINNER'S POWER (PSALM 126:6)
- a) Psalm 126:6
 - i) The "precious seed" is the Word of God.
 - b) In the parable of the sower, Jesus said that the seed is the Word.
 - i) Matthew 13:18-23
 - c) There is power in that seed.
 - i) Hebrews 4:12
 - (1) The Greek word for "quick" in this passage is the word from which we get our words "zoo," "a life," or "zoology."
 - (a) There is life in a seed.
 - ii) Because there is life in a seed, there is incredible power.
 - d) The Word of God is quick and powerful, and that is the power a soul winner has.
 - i) There is power in the Word of God.
 - ii) If you will keep scattering the seed, it will sprout and give life.
 - e) What good is a seed if we don't sow it?
 - i) It's not who you know but what you sow that counts.
 - ii) We are to know it in the head, stow it in the heart, and sow it in the world.
 - f) You only reap what you sow.
 - i) Galatians 6:7
 - g) If you want people to believe, then you have to give them something to believe.
 - i) The power is in the seed.
- 5) THE SOUL WINNER'S PROMISE (PSALM 126:6)
- a) Psalm 126:6
 - i) The soul winner will have results.
 - b) Not everyone we witness to is going to be saved.
 - i) Not everyone our Lord witnessed to was saved.
 - (1) The rich, young ruler went away sorrowfully.
 - (a) Matthew 19:16-22
 - ii) Mark 4:3-8
 - (1) It's not our job to analyze the soil; it's our job to sow the seed.
 - (2) In this parable, the sower is Jesus Christ Himself.
 - (a) He did not say, "That's bad soil, so I won't put any seed on it."
 - (b) He just sowed the seed.

- (i) We don't know who will come to Christ, so we need to just sow the seed.
- c) Everywhere we go, we need to sow the seed.
 - i) Ask God to give you an open door.
- d) It is God who gives the increase.
 - i) We can't make a seed grow, but we can sow a seed.
 - ii) 1 Corinthians 3:6
 - iii) We are dependent upon Him.
- e) If we keep sowing, then we will have a harvest.
 - i) "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy."
 - (1) Psalm 126:5
- f) Psalm 126:6
 - i) A sheave is a bundle of wheat.
 - ii) When harvesting wheat in Bible times, they would bundle it up and lay it there.
 - (1) They were waiting for the Lord of the harvest to come.
 - (a) The Lord of the harvest is coming again, and all of those bundles will be caught up to meet Him.
- g) If your joy is gone and you're discontented, feeling as though you've never really found the purpose in life, then give yourself to soul winning.
- h) You cannot be a faithful Christian unless you're endeavoring to bring souls to Jesus Christ.

6) CONCLUSION

- a) There are Christians who are not afraid to die because they know that they have been saved.
 - i) But they're ashamed to die because they've not been soul winners.
- b) Ask the Lord to help you win just one person for Christ.
 - i) When you've won that person for the Lord, then ask Him to help you win another.
- c) But if you do not yet know the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, you can today.
- d) Pray to Him now, and ask Him to come into your life.
- e) Call upon Jesus today. Repent (turn) from your sins, and turn to Jesus. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins, and acknowledge Him as Lord of your life.
 - i) Romans 3:23
 - ii) Romans 10:9-10
 - iii) Romans 10:13
 - iv) Acts 16:31
 - v) John 3:16