

# Sharing the Gospel with Pagan, Atheistic and Apathetic People

Romans 10:17 – “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

**NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE TALKING TO, NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF THE WORD OF GOD TO BRING PEOPLE TO FAITH IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST**

**PAGAN:** Worshipper of false gods; pertaining to the worship or worshipers of any religion that is neither Christian, Jewish, nor Muslim

**ATHEIST:** A person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a supreme being or beings

**APATHETIC:** not interested or concerned; indifferent or unresponsive

1. **BE IN PRAYER** – John 17:20
2. **BE PREPARED** – 1 Peter 3:15
3. **BE CONCERNED** – Romans 9:1-3

Moses was very apprehensive about giving the Lord's message to Pharaoh. Notice his fear and the Lord's reassurance. Ex. 3:11-12

**It is important to be a good listener. Often, there has been a situation in a person's life that has contributed to their beliefs. The more you know about this person, the better equipped you will be to offer the proper scriptures.**

Without being argumentative or aggressive, engage the person in an open conversation about their sins, the penalty of sins, the love of God, etc. (Isaiah 1:18) Avoid using human reasoning. Use the scriptures so the Lord can reason with them. John 16:7-8; John 17:17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13

## Thoughts for the pagan:

1. There is one God – Isaiah 45:6
2. There are many false prophets – 1 John 4:1

## Thoughts for the atheist:

1. God is known in His creation – Romans 1:20
2. It is foolish to deny God's existence – Psalm 14:1; 53:1
3. Israel's existence and survival are a testimony to the Lord

## Thoughts for the apathetic:

1. Apathy makes God sick – Revelation 3:15-16
2. Those that put the Lord off will not escape His judgment – Hebrews 2:3

1 Cor. 1:21, “...it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.”

2 Tim. 4:5, “...do the work of an evangelist...”

Mark 16:15, “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.”

Scriptures and realizations that are good for all men, regardless of who or what they are.	
Everyone has sinned	Romans 3:23; Gal. 3:22
There is a penalty for sin	Eze. 18:20; Romans 6:23
God loves and wants to save everyone	John 3:16; Acts 17:30;
The death of the Lord Jesus was to save sinners	Romans 5:6-8; 1 Peter 2:24
Salvation is a free gift received through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ	Romans 6:23, 10:9-10; Acts 16:31; Eph. 2:8-9

- If you have a desire to witness to someone, that desire comes from the Lord
  - **Philippines 2:13**
- If you have prepared yourself by prayer, preparation and care, the Lord will give you the words to say
  - **Psalm 81:10**
- When you obey the Lord and share the Gospel with others, the Lord will use the words you give out.
  - **Isaiah 55:11**