

# Summary of Witnessing to Buddhists And the Simple Gospel Message

## Summary of how to witness to Buddhists

- Prepare yourself. Are you right with God? Is there anything you need to repent of or renounce? If possible do this with the team or a trusted, safe Christian friend.
- Wherever possible don't go alone. Pray for one or more people to go with you.
- Before going, pray about God's timing and strategy (as a team if possible). Ask God for 'keys' – specific words or pictures for the situation.
- Put on the 'whole armour of God' (Ephesians 6:11-18).
- Don't be afraid. This is the Lord's battle and He will protect you and fight for you. His authority is with you.
- Have other people praying at home or elsewhere while you go, and let them know how you got on after returning.
- As a pair or team, be silently praying and interceding for each other as you witness. Silently pray that the Holy Spirit will touch the spirits of the hearers and remove the 'veil' from their minds
- Speak about Jesus as God opens the opportunity and keep to the simple gospel message (see below for a helpful outline).
- Don't get into arguments or debates. Talk in a non-threatening, matter-of-fact way.
- Don't take an adverse reaction personally – it is not you they are offended by but the cross of Christ.
- When you leave, pray a cleansing of the Lord Jesus over your minds, bodies, souls and spirits. Check that everyone on your team is feeling and doing OK.
- If possible, have a time of feedback and prayer after your visit.
- Thank God for what He has done and for His faithfulness. Whether you see results with your eyes or not, the time has not been wasted.
- Keep praying for the people you have witnessed to.

## The Gospel Message

Below is an outline of the simple gospel message that you can share with those you are witnessing to. It is best to wait on God's timing for when to give it.

**Jesus is the Son of God, sent to earth to die on the cross for our sins. All the sin – past, present and future – yours and of all people was taken upon Jesus on the cross. He died and after three days He rose again. He overcame the power of sin, death and hell, and is now seated at the right hand of Father God in heaven. We acknowledge to God that we have sinned and invite Jesus into our heart to be Lord of our life. When we do this our sins are forgiven; we become a child of God and enter into a personal relationship with Him; and we inherit eternal life, as we walk in obedience to Him.**

**Salvation means coming into relationship with the Father through Jesus. It is a free gift and we can do nothing to earn it – we just have to accept it freely.**

It may be helpful to quote the following scripture:

**John 3:16: 'For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.'**