

Infield friendship evangelism practice activities:

Once a month, on the second week, we'll add a new element to our group work. We'll focus on doing infield friendship evangelism practice activities. This will be fun. I personally do the following format to hone my skills and get further acclimated to pushing my comfort zone levels out.

The experience, ideas, and methods for talking with people that I learned that can help you, are in the "Cold Approach" section of my book. ["Making It Work: Three Proven Techniques for Evangelism."](#) I encourage you to read it.

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The evangelism group members can meet up with me at a designated area at a nearby mall, busy city park, or college, and focus for an hr. to work on moving up the levels I'll outline below. The goal is desensitization and building up a comfort level with social interactions.

After an hr., we'll meet up at a local restaurant, food court, or coffee shop to talk, relax, eat/drink, connect, and if wished talk about the experience.

Here are the steps. The group member can stay at any of these steps during the event or future events till he/she feels comfortable with moving forward to the next step. It's not a race, it's a step-by-step growing process of development. These steps can also be practiced alone when running errands or when doing work/social activities throughout the day.

Friendship evangelism steps:

- **Step one:** smile and/or wave at people.
- **Step two:** greet people, you can say "hi," or "good morning," etc.
- **Step three:** leave a Bible study card or a church card on a table, at a bathroom stall, or on a bulletin board, etc.

Invite exercises below:

Figure out ways to give an invite. Do the exercise steps shown. Then once you feel comfortable with doing the first exercise then move and to the next one. Try another one of these exercises. Rinse and repeat doing each exercise till all of these are done. It's not a race. Stay on each one of these exercises till you feel ready to move on to the next one. After you finish one exercise, you'll see that the others get easier. After you finish a second exercise, you'll see the remaining ones get even easier.

What you learn and develop as social patterns you can use anywhere, anytime, for the rest of your life. As you do these exercises you'll acclimate and get desensitized to such interactions. As you do these exercises, you'll become more experienced and skilled in reaching others for Jesus. The more you do such exercises the faster you'll grow. You'll ingrain the New Testament commandment of doing the Great Commission into your regular lifestyle.

- **Step four:** Figure out ways to give an invite. You can simply do nothing more than just come up to someone and give an invite to church or a Bible study and give a person a card. It may be easiest to begin with a cashier when ordering a drink, like Starbucks, or someone behind the "check out" desk at a business. The more you practice this the more you can do this anywhere.
- **Step five:** You can introduce yourself and share your church, then give a church invite card or your Bible study invite card. An example of what evangelist Max Dawson does is, "My name is Max, and I worship at Dowlen Rd. Church, I'd love for you to come by and visit." And then he gives that person a card.
- **Step six:** You can ask someone a question to get a response and a discussion going. Then given an invite. The easiest folks are the staff at restaurants, malls, gyms, colleges, etc. You can think of questions to ask ahead of time. The more you do this method the easier it gets.

- **Step seven:** You can ask someone a question to get a response and a discussion going. When asking questions to generate a conversation, transition to talking to people about spiritual things, like sharing one's salvation experience or Bible scripture on heavenly truths like church, salvation, etc. Then give an invite to a Bible study or church.
- **Step five:** when talking with folks do a live Bible study using Star Bible or you can talk to people about spiritual things/Bible ideas on salvation or the church in conversation using the One Shot approach. As you progress you may want to use other study formats as well.

See the friendship evangelism training website page to learn more and find resources for further growth.

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