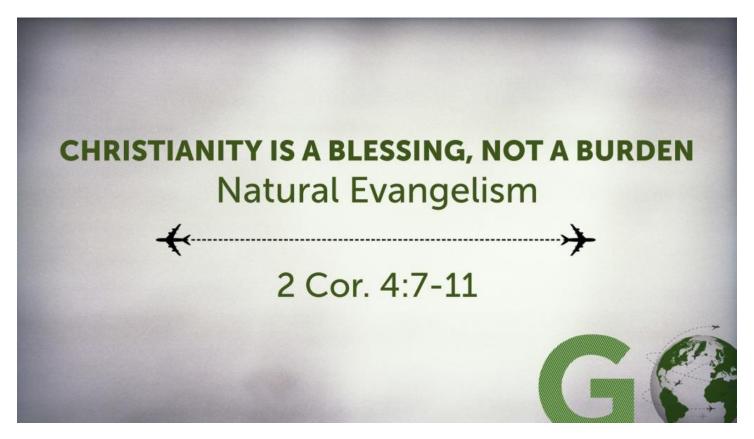
Christianity is a Blessing, Not a Burden

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Christianity has received a bad rap and it's people must correct the record.



2 Corinthians 4:7-11 ESV

⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹ For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

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These questions can help with your story and recognition of the blessings of being in the Lord.

- 1. How did you come to the Lord?
- 2. Who influenced you to become a Christian?
- 3. How has Christ made a difference in your life?
- 4. Who might benefit from hearing your story?
- 5. How can your story help people who are searching for the Lord?

Natural Evangelism

An Everyday Approach to Sharing the Gospel

Part 1 - Preparing for the Field

Part 2 - Entering the Field

Part 3 - Words of Encouragement

I. Blessing not burden

II. Great Cost, Greater Blessing

2 Corinthians 4:13-15 ESV

III. Speak up

Matthew 13:44-45 ESV

¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

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⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls,

2 Corinthians 4:15 ESV

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God's Invitation of Salvation

Hear - Believe - Confess - Repent

Be Baptized - Remain Steadfast