

Have pizza and drinks for everyone.  
Go through example lesson

## **Goal for the Bible Talk**

### **1. To win people to Christ**

- a. Members need to attend regularly and work hard.

### **2. How to get people to come**

- a. Can't work sporadically - must be consistent, evangelistic lifestyle. Taking all opportunities to invite and follow up. Come up with an evangelism plan. Neighborhoods, etc. Have invitations
- b. Don't pre-judge people before you give them a chance
- c. Start by making a list of all possible contacts. Start at apartment complexes.
- d. Don't necessarily ask the same ones all the time. It depends on the response.
- e. Spend time with the person you want to invite, leading up to it.
- f. Try to get a commitment - planning food and snacks are you going to come.
- g. If you were to invite yourself to Bible Talk, would you come?

### **3. What kind of atmosphere?**

- a. Friendly
- b. Be early
- c. Introduce your "friends" not visitors
- d. Introduce yourself to people you don't know.

### **4. What should you do during the Bible Talk?**

- a. Need to affirm the message from personal lives
- b. Comments should be on subject and supportive
- c. Don't go off on tangents.
- d. Keep from using lingo - bro, sis, repentance, etc.
- e. Don't condemn your old denomination - Before I was a Christian, I was Episcopalian.
- f. Be concise

### **What do you do when it is over?**

- a. Stay and talk for a few minutes
- b. Thank them for coming
- c. Don't get into a heavy talk.
- d. Refreshments and snacks are good

### **What to do next?**

- a. Follow up is a must - B.T. want convert them
- b. What did they like or not like and why?
- c. Can invite to a church service or the next Bible Talk
- d. Begin to build a friendship

## **When writing a Bible Talk or lesson**

1. Need to have a purpose or goal clearly in mind.
  - a. Inspire to come again, motivate to come to church, encourage to spend time with Christians, to get to study the Bible
2. Need to consider the following elements
  - a. Conviction - at some point they should feel convicted, but not every point. Each person should feel called to a decision or action by the end.
  - b. Interest - No one goes to a boring Bible Talk. Catchy titles, gripping points, attention grabbers
  - c. Humor- always helps
  - d. Sharing - there should be opportunities to share. Yes or No questions are great.
  - e. Scriptures - Want to spend most of the time discussing, not flipping. More than 3 or 4 is probably too many.
  - f. Illustrations - each point should have one from your life, current events or some other source that all can relate to.
  - g. Dynamic - speak loudly, read confidently, make grand gestures.
  - h. Duration - Don't go longer than the allotted time. Even if you start late. End on time.
  - i. Organization - It helps to follow along if it has 2 or 3 points.
  - j. Meet the needs - know the crowd that you have.

**Should be praying for one another, and for friends that have been coming.  
Should be communicating with each other, who they are sharing with, etc.**

### **Man in the Mirror – bible talk example**

- Q - Introduce yourself and name a world issue that concerns you.  
Q - What is it going to take to change these world issues? (no response)

-Watch Video

Pass the mirror around. Don't worry about how you look.

Q- What do you see? What is behind the reflection? Are you happy with what you see? What are your beliefs, purpose? Is your life making a difference?

Q- what are some reasons we don't change the man in the mirror?  
What is it going to take.

#### **I. Humility-** [Matthew 18:3-4](#)

Q- What is a child like? teachable, not defensive, imitators, trainable

Q- Why do you have to be like a child to change?

Q- Is it easy?

Q - Why is the opposite, Pride so dangerous?

#### **II. Self-Sacrificing**

Our society wants what we want when we want it.

[Luke 9:23-25](#)

Q- What does he mean deny yourself?

Q- What are some examples of sin?

Q- Why do we sin?

Q- Why doesn't God want us to sin?

-AIDS, STDs, Alcoholism, etc.

Think about how you have been hurt by sin in your life.

A lot of times we want to change but we don't.

Q - Who here has made a New Years Resolution?

Q- Who here has not been successful before?

### **III. Being Real**

#### [Matt 23:23-28](#)

Q - Who is Jesus talking to, and what's his attitude

Q- What is a hypocrite?

Q- Are these religious leaders "right with God"?

Q - What does he mean by clean the outside, but inside..?

Q - How do you see this in the world around?

- What is it going to take to change the man in the mirror

#### [James 1:19-25](#)

Q - What is going to save us?

Q - Where do most people go today?

Q- How many times do we look in the mirror in our lives?

Q - How many times in a day, week or year have you looked into the Bible and tried to study then inside and make changes?

Q- How does following the Bible produce freedom?

#### [Ephesians 5:15-17](#)

Challenge - We need to be humble to change the man in the mirror

We need to be a child, willing to learn what it takes

We need to be honest, and real.