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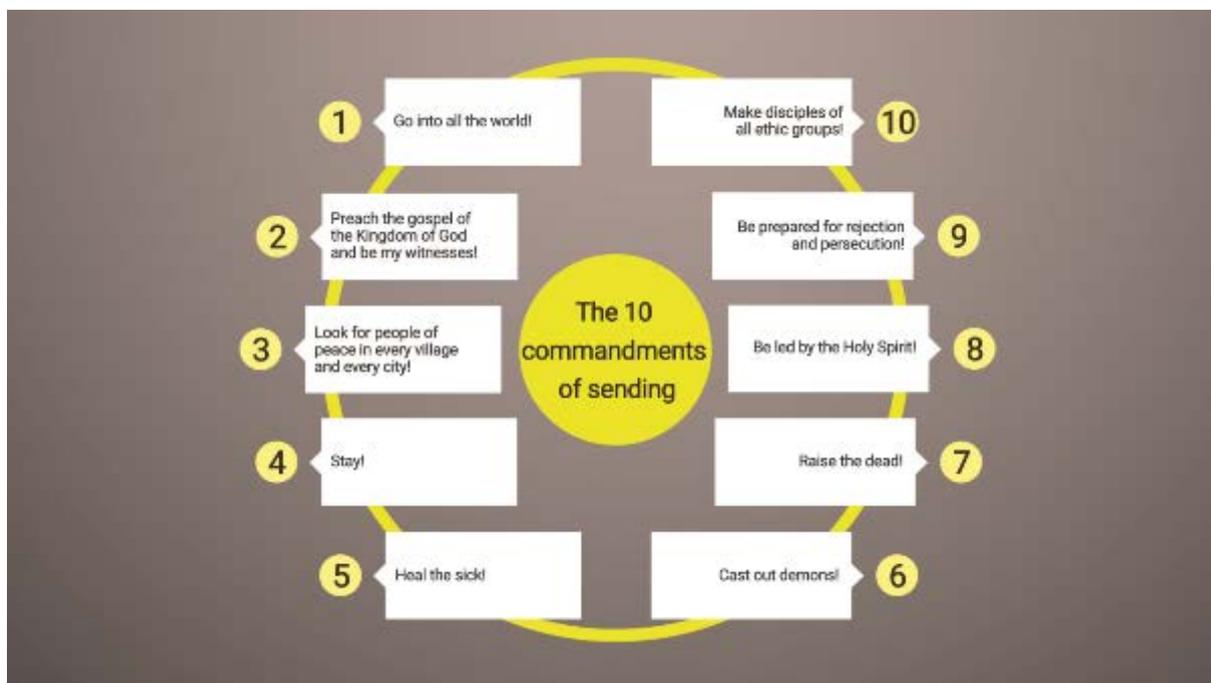
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Summary: Preach the gospel of the Kingdom of God Part I

1. The proclaimed Gospel contains power: The power to create faith in our hearts

Romans 10:17

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

2. **The Gospel** means: Jesus is the Savior of the world through his death on the cross
3. Gospel of the **Kingdom of God** means:
 - ➔ Where Jesus reigns as King and where his royal dominion is accepted
 - ➔ Where his will is done
 - ➔ Where his commandments (the law of Christ) are obeyed

The Gospel of the Kingdom means:

To accept and proclaim Jesus as

- ➔ ... Savior
- ➔ ... Lord and King

To evangelize means to introduce Jesus, so people can get to know him personally and are eventually ready to trust in him = they BELIEVE in him

→ Important: To introduce Jesus ENTIRELY, not only a „shortened” Jesus or parts of Jesus

Jesus as:

- a) Savior AND
- b) Lord

→ Peter introduced Jesus perfectly in Acts 10,36-47

Jesus’ introduction – 10 central characteristics of Jesus from Acts 10:36-48:

1. Jesus Christ **brings peace and reconciliation with God**
2. Jesus Christ **is LORD above all things**
3. Jesus of Nazareth **had the Holy Spirit and moved in the Holy Spirit**
4. Jesus of Nazareth **had and moved in supernatural divine power**
5. Jesus **does good works**
6. Jesus **can heal everyone/healed everyone and delivered all that were captives**
7. Jesus **died on the cross for our sins**
8. Jesus **is alive and is active among us today**
9. Jesus is appointed by God and chosen to **judge**
10. This Jesus **we shall trust and will experience forgiveness and salvation**

→ **The reaction to this message is not surprising:**

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Then Peter said, “Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.” So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

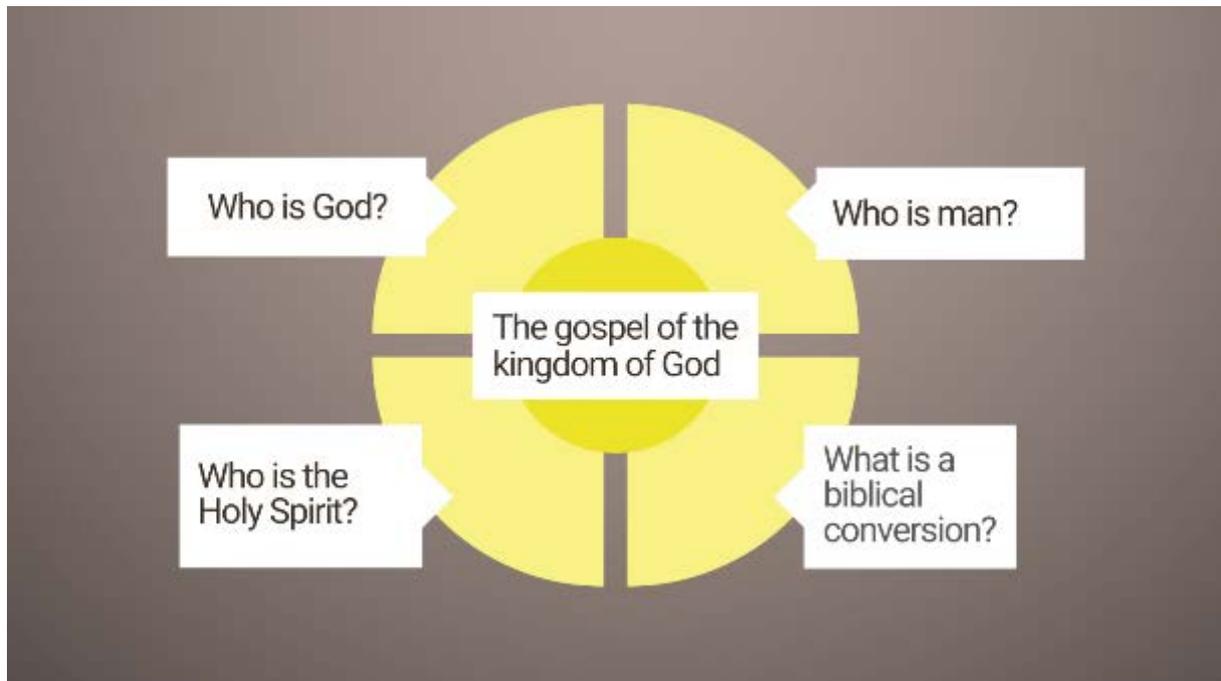
Summary:

To proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom of God means to introduce and testify Jesus to people until they get to know him and trust him – and are saved by faith.

Preach the gospel of the Kingdom of God Part II

- The core part in preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God is to introduce JESUS as Savior and Lord
- In order to have true biblical new births, we must take four other important parts into account of how to **proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom of God**
 1. Who is God the Father?

2. Who are we people?
3. Who is the Holy Spirit?
4. How does a true biblical new birth happen?



To PROCLAIM these 5 areas of the gospel of the Kingdom of God shortly and clearly, we tell seeking people the history of salvation throughout human history.

Way of salvation: “From Creation to Salvation”

Introduction: The highest God



1 Chronicles 16:25-26

For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

Example:

„I would like to tell you a story. This story is from a book called the «Bible». The Bible was not invented by people. The Bible is the word of the most high God. Its stories are true and trustworthy because they are God’s words. There is only one God and he truly is the highest among all gods. He is mightier than all ancestors, every human being, every government and every idol that is worshipped by people. This story is true and trustworthy because it is the word of the most high God.”

Summary:

- 1 Chronicles 16:25-28
- It is a true story
- There is only one God
- He is mightier than anyone

1. Creation



Genesis 1:26-27

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." So, God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

The most high God is the Creator. He existed before all things. He created everything that is in Heaven and on earth and is almighty in all things. God created all things only by his spoken word. He spoke and everything came into existence. He created angels to worship him and to serve him. He also created everything we see – the sky, earth, sun, moon and stars, water, oceans, mountains, plants, animals and in the end humans in His image. God created man to enjoy everything he had created. God created everything and he saw that it was very good.

Summary:

- God spoke and created everything
- God created man
- Everything he created was very good

2. God and man together



Genesis 2:16-17

And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

God placed the man and his wife in a beautiful garden to live there. They had an extraordinary relationship with God and one another. He instructed them to cultivate and to enjoy the garden. He gave them this specific instruction: they could eat from all trees and plants EXCEPT from the one. If they ate from this one, they would be punished and die. So, at first the man and his wife obeyed God and had an intimate relationship with Him in the garden.

Summary:

- The man and his wife were in one garden
- There was one single rule to be obeyed
- They had an amazing intimate relationship with God

3. Sin and separation



Genesis 3:1-8

Now the serpent was craftier than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’” “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

Isaiah 59:1-2

Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.

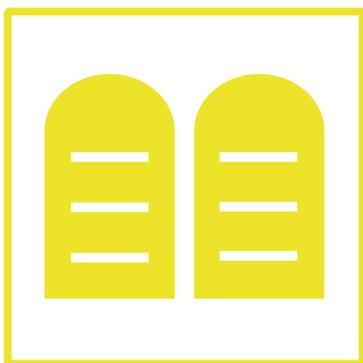
One of the angels God had created was very beautiful and smart. This angel became proud. He wanted to be like God and wanted the other angels to worship him instead of God. Only the most high God deserves all honor and praise. That’s why God cast out this angel, now called Satan, with the other angels that had started to follow him (now called demons), from Heaven. One day, Satan deceived the woman to eat a fruit from the forbidden tree. The woman listened to the voice, ate from it and gave her husband to eat from it as well. Both disobeyed God’s command - this is called «sin». God is holy and just. He must punish sin. God had to expel humans from the garden and their relationship to God was broken apart. Humans and God now were separated forever. They had sinned by disobeying God’s instructions.

The effect of sin is eternal separation from God – Hell. Humans were created to have an eternal relationship with God but because of this decision against God, eternal life was lost.

Summary:

- Fall of Satan
- Temptation/deception
- The man and his wife were disobedient towards God
- Broken relationship and eternal punishment

4. Commandments



Exodus 20:1-20

And God spoke all these words:

“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

“You shall have no other gods before me.

“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns.

For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore, the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

“You shall not murder.

“You shall not commit adultery.

“You shall not steal.

“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance and said to Moses, “Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die.”

Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning.”

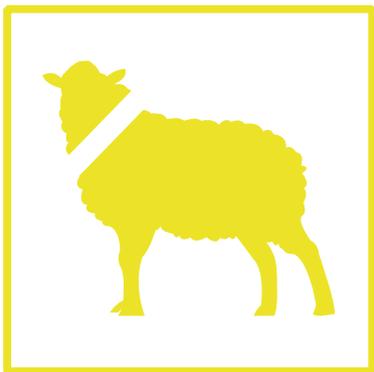
- 1. I am the Lord your God...you shall have no other gods before me.**
- 2. You shall not make yourself an image...Do not worship them and do not serve them**
- 3. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God**
- 4. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy**
- 5. You shall honor your father and your mother**
- 6. You shall not murder**
- 7. You shall not commit adultery**
- 8. You shall not steal**
- 9. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's house**

After a while, people multiplied on the earth. Still God loved them dearly and wanted a relationship with them. He gave them 10 commandments they were to obey. Remember: God is perfect and holy – that's why in order to live with him, we are supposed to be perfect and holy as well. The 10 commandments teach us humans how we can live a good relationship with God and other people. They were instructions like: don't worship and serve other gods, honor your parents, don't lie, don't steal, don't murder and don't commit adultery. But nobody was able to obey to all these commands.

Summary:

- People multiplied on the earth
- God still loved them
- He gave them the 10 commandments
- Nobody was completely obedient

Sacrifice



Hebrews 9:22

In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

After they had sinned, God made a way for them to deal with their offense. He required them to bring Him a blood sacrifice to carry their sins away. This sacrifice meant to shed the blood of a perfect animal, e.g. of a lamb. When they turned away from their sins and brought the sacrifice, God would forgive his people by letting the animal die in their place. Only by the shedding of blood can people's sins can be forgiven. But God's people continued to sin and the sin offering turned into a ritual instead of a matter of the heart. God became tired of their insincere actions and so people were still separated from God. We can never come to God out of our own strength – no matter what we do.

Summary:

- God prepared a way for repentance, the turning away from our sins to God
- Sacrifice must be made for the forgiveness of sins.
- Blood offerings quickly turned into insincere outward rituals

6. God sends Jesus



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.

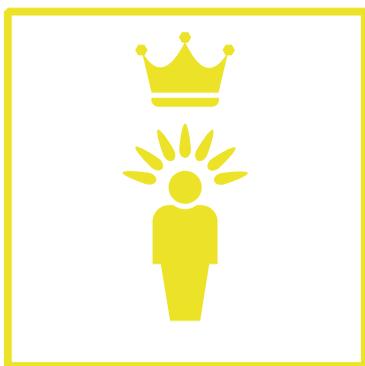
God loves people and seeks a relationship of love and trust with them. So, God decided to send them the perfect way for them to enter back into relationship with him. God sent Jesus to show us the way back to him.

Who is Jesus? Jesus is the Son of God, his only true Son. He became human like us: God of flesh and blood. Jesus, the Son of God.

Summary:

- God loves people
- A perfect way was necessary
- Jesus was God in flesh and blood

7. Jesus, the Son of God



Acts 10:36-43

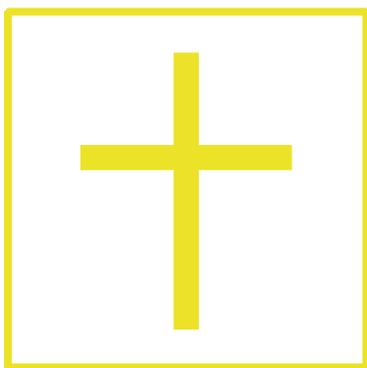
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2. Jesus Christ is LORD
3. Jesus of Nazareth had the Holy Spirit and moved in the Holy Spirit
4. Jesus of Nazareth had and moved in supernatural divine power
5. Jesus does good works
6. Jesus can heal/healed all and released all that were captive
7. Jesus died on the cross for our sins
8. Jesus is alive and works today
9. Jesus is chosen by God as our judge
10. We must trust Jesus in order to receive forgiveness and salvation

Even though Jesus lived as a human, he resisted all temptation. He didn't sin and remained obedient to God at all times. Jesus had a great compassion for all people, especially for the ones that didn't have hope. He was a wise teacher. He performed many miracles that proved that he was the Son of God. Jesus had authority over natural powers, diseases, evil spirits and even death.

Summary:

- Jesus:
 - ... never sinned
 - ... did miracles
 - ... had authority over all things

8. Jesus, the sacrifice



Acts 2:22-23

“Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.”

John 1:29

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

Many people loved Jesus. They believed and followed him. But some religious leaders hated Jesus and were jealous, so they made plans to kill him. Jesus was ready to be arrested and to be sentenced to death. He was beaten and mocked. Soldiers nailed him to the cross.

A cross consists of two bars of wood that are built together. They took his hands and feet and nailed him there. Blood flowed out of his hands and feet down his body. He suffered great pain and died on the cross.

Because Jesus never sinned, He was a perfect blood sacrifice. He didn’t deserve to die, but God sent him to die on the cross for the sin of all people. Only through his blood offering God was ready to forgive all our sins.

Summary:

- Jesus:
 - ...was treated wrongfully
 - ...suffered willingly
 - ...died on the cross
 - ...was the perfect sacrifice, once for all

9. Resurrection



Luke 24:46-47

He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem."

The death of Jesus shows God's great love for us. But his story doesn't end there! After Jesus died, he was put into a safe tomb. On the third day after his death, he rose from the dead and showed himself to his followers. He proved his power over death. He returned to his Father in Heaven. Jesus took all our deserved punishment upon himself. He created a way back to a relationship with the Father.

Summary:

- Jesus:
 - ... died and was put into a tomb
 - ... has power over death
 - ... restored the way back to the Father

10. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit



John 15:26

When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.

Romans 8:9-11

You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Acts 1:8

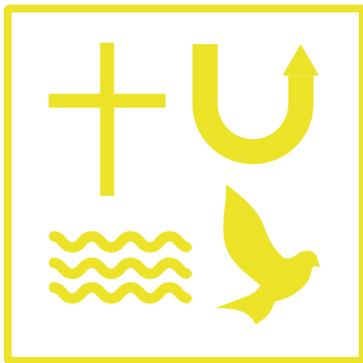
But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

There's an exchange of people. Jesus returned to the Father after his death and resurrection. Then Jesus and his Father sent the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit brings Jesus in his spiritual form back into our hearts. Very practically, the Holy Spirit brings the life and the power of Jesus into our lives.

Summary:

- After Jesus had gone back to the Father, they sent the Holy Spirit to us
- The Holy Spirit brings the life of Jesus to us -> Romans 8:9-11
- The Holy Spirit brings the power of Jesus to us -> Acts1:8

11. Faith, repentance, baptism in water and Holy Spirit



Acts 2:37-38

When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 16:30-31

He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."

To experience a true new birth, we need 4 things:

1. **Faith:** God wants you and your family to turn to God. Jesus is the perfect offering and the only way to restore our lost relationship to the only God. Jesus said: "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father but through me." You must "go through Jesus", in order to return into a relationship with God. You must believe that Jesus died instead of you. You put your trust 100% in Jesus that he will bring you to God to give you an eternal life as his son or daughter. From this moment on you, let God be your Master and obey to his word.
2. **Repentance:** How can you go **through** Jesus? You must give up and admit that you have sinned against God and you must repent (recognize sin and sins, confess and leave them...AND live a new, righteous, holy life).
3. **Baptism in water:** If you really believe that Jesus is alive and trust him, then you will bring all your sin to him. Then you want to be baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit for the remission of your sins. Repentance can happen directly before baptism or at the same time.
4. **Reception/Baptism of the Holy Spirit:** When faith, repentance and baptism have happened, then reception/baptism of the Holy Spirit is a simple last step. As soon as faith arises, repentance, baptism and the baptism of the Holy Spirit can happen directly after another or even all at the same time. This step empowers you to live a holy, righteous life and operate in the power of the Spirit, not just working by the flesh to attain righteousness.

12. HIS Kingdom



Matthew 28:18-20

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

2 Corinthians 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Jesus continues his work around the world today through his Spirit and his followers. God has chosen one day, when Jesus will return in all his glory to the earth to judge all people righteously. He will welcome all his followers and will turn away from the ones who rejected him. His kingdom will have no end. Until that time, it's his followers' job description to pray and to play a part in God's plan, so that his Kingdom can advance and his will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. We are called to carry the good news of Jesus to everyone around us and to serve him in all we think, say and do.

Summary:

- Matthew 28:18-20/ 2 Corinthians 5:10
- Jesus works in and through us
- Jesus will return as King and Lord
- We can share Jesus with others

Part II: Application

- a) Someone from the group summarizes this teaching in his own words. If anything is missing, the others can add to the summary.

- b) Group discussion.

- c) Write down personal revelations from the teaching.

Task: Learn the introduction (the most high God) and the 12 steps “from creation to salvation” by heart, Bible verses incl.

d) Write down and present the way of salvation „from creation to salvation” by heart to your ministry partner or your group.

e) Each group presents what they learned and presents the precise goals of how to put things into practice to the other groups.

Part III: Outreach

Regular practice of **GOING** (2-3 times a week, 6-9 hours in total) to the unreached of the ethnic group God put on your heart. This should be accompanied by 2-3 prayer walks (4-6 hours) each week.

1. PRAYER – Prayer walks with the team/a partner
2. GO – (2:2 or as a team) to the unreached God put on your heart
3. PREACH – the gospel of the Kingdom of God
4. SHARE – the way of salvation

BEsent is a training - without practice it is almost useless!