

Evangelism Lesson #2

Your audience: The **LOST**, those outside of Christ

Why continue the campaign series with this lesson in series: You have already shown the fearful reason to examine more closely Jesus. You next must show why even consider the place of Hell. Why must we even be concerned about it?

Whether you use these illustrations or your own, whether you chose to include personal applications or not, please be sure to emphasize those points indicated with the faces (☺ or ☹).

What did I do to deserve Hell?

Introduction: overview

I. History of creation

A. It belonged to God

1. He made it all:

a. Gen. 1:1

b. Psalm 33:6-9 (He spoke and it was done)

c. Col. 1:15-16 (All things were made through Him and for Him)

2. Therefore, it all belonged to Him

a. Psalm 50 (He owns the cattle on a thousand hills)

b. Psalm 24:1

3. Point number one: God made it all ; therefore, it all belonged to Him. What did He do with it? He gave it away! To whom did He give it?

B. Point number two: He gave it to man

1. Read Gen. 1:26-29

2. Gen. 2:15

3. Jer. 27:5

4. Points repeated: God made it all ; therefore, it all belonged to Him.

What did He do with it? He gave it away! To whom did He give it?

He gave it to man. Now, what did man (we) do with it? We gave it away!

To whom did we give it?

C. Point number three: We gave it to Satan

1. Read Gen. 3:1-6, 13, 17, 23-24.

2. Points repeated: (Point number one: God made it all ; therefore, it all belonged to Him. What did He do with it? He gave it away! To whom did He give it? He gave it to man. Point number two: To whom did man (we) give it? Man (we) gave it to Satan. Now, what did Satan do with it?

D. Point number three: The question should be rephrased, “What IS Satan DOING with it?

1. He’s not going to give it away!

2. He’s using it against man!

3. How?

II. ☹ Satan rules the world

A. The god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving (2 Cor. 4:4)

1. He controls the world: I John 5:19 - the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

2. He eats us: I Peter 5:8 - your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

3. We are weaker than Satan and his angels: Hebrews 2:6-7 - What is man? ... You have made him a little lower than the angels.

B. ☹ Satan hates God with venomous passion!

1. And he would destroy God if he could, but he cannot.

2. Unable to destroy God, he turns on those made in His image.

C. ☹ He know God's holiness (Ps. 92:15)

1. It seems he would be satisfied if he could get man to sin just one time!

a. Then, God would have to separate him from Himself (Isa. 59:1-2)

b. He knows personally God must separate the offender; he was himself cast out! Ezekiel 28:16 - And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub.

c. He knows all it takes is just one! (Romans 6:23)

2. But it's a power-struggle "control contest!"

a. Remember the temptation of Jesus?

(1) Matt. 4:9 – Satan said to Jesus, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me."

(2) Ps. 37:35 - I have seen the wicked in great power, And spreading himself like a native green tree.

(3) Remember Matt 10:1 - And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease.

(4) Luke 10:19 – Jesus said, "Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

3. So, he wants to control man!

a. He wants him to sin over and over and over again.

b. He doesn't want you to just ...

(1) taste a little marijuana; he wants it to lead you into the harder drugs ... and become addicted ... and controlled by them.

(2) view pornography; he wants you to commit the act, and become addicted ... and destroy your home, and your body and mind with diseases. He wants:

(a) you to have an unwanted child and destroy him because he is unwanted! Or you to

(b) abort that child and murder.

(3) experiment with alcohol; he wants you drunk, and to become an alcoholic ... and to destroy your brain cells, and liver, and your family, and your job.

c. He wants you swimming in the whirlpool of sin, lost, miserable, discouraged, confused.

(1) He wants you writhing in sin so desperate one day that, in your despair, you find yourself sitting in anger, looking up and into the heavens, raising your fist, blaming God for what Satan has been doing all along!

(2) Then, Satan can sit back, look up and say to the Lord of hosts, "Got you again!"

4. Satan cannot destroy God, but he can destroy God's offspring (Revelation 12), if we let him, and in the process at least hurt God.

D. ☹ He defeats us through sin!

1. God is right ... eous.

a. He has never done anything wrong.

b. He cannot do anything wrong.

c. He cannot all any wrong in His Holy Presence!

2. The human dilemma: None of us are right ... eous (Romans 3:10, 23).

a. We broke God's righteous law (moral code of ethics): I John 3:4.

b. There is always "due process of law."

c. God has a due process of law: Romans 6:23.

(1) Why death?

(2) God is life.

(3) When you're separated from God through sin (Isa. 59:1-2), you're separated from life.

(4) When you're separated from life, you die!

3. ☹ Now, what is sin?

a. God gives us lists: (Define the words!)

b. I Cor. 6: 9-10

c. Romans 1

E. How many times do we have to sin before we are in trouble with God?

1. How many times does the average person sin in a day?

a. A thousand times a day? 500? 250? 100?

b. What if a person sinned no more than 3 times a day? Great guy!

c. Calculations:

(1) How many days in a year? 365

(2) $3 \times 365 =$ a thousand again!

(3) Say responsible 65 years of his life = 365,000 crimes against the Crown ... and we said he was a “Great guy?” A “law-abiding citizen?”

2. Again, how many times do we have to sin before we are in trouble with God?

a. “The wages of sin is death!” And that is the HELL we have already described!

b. How many? Just one! And that is what you and I have “done to deserve that!”

F. ☺ But JESUS came to pay the penalty of that law we broke!
(Romans 8:3-4: “God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”

1. Due process of law: Human sins, human dies.

2. God Who is Spirit (John 4)

a. Became human (John 3:16)

b. Died the human death (Phil. 2)

(1) the blood of bulls and goats cannot take away the sins of the world (Hebrews 10).

(2) So, God prepared a (human) body, His Own in Jesus.

c. To take away human sin (Eph. 1:7),

d. Satisfying His judicial Crown Law

3. And if we allow that gift to pay our fine, we are made free of both sin and death (Romans 8:2)

a. And you get the gift by participating in His death (Romans 6:3-4)

b. So that you can participate in His Own resurrection to life (Romans 6:5).

III. Because, point four, one day ...

A. Comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For "He has put all things under His feet." But when He says "all things are put under Him," it is evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted. Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all. (I Cor. 15: 24-28)

B. So, “Why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.” (Acts 22:16)