#PandemicBibleSTUDIES^{**}

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AND THEN WHAT?



I first came across this cartoon tract more than 20 years ago. It intrigues me just as much now as then. [The link to this gospel tract, with the full text and visuals, is below.]

https://mwtb.org/products/then-what?_pos=1&_sid=dc6495fa1&_ss=r&variant=39101731786

Two commuters engage in a conversation about one man's plans for his future. His goal is to climb the world's ladder of success. At each projected stage of advancement, the second man challenges the ambitious man with: "Then what?" The climax of their discussion ended with witnessing about eternal life.

Many people plan their lives without directing much attention to how they will spend eternity. The four discussion questions below explore witnessing during this global COVID-19 pandemic.

- #1 Is witnessing optional?
- #2 Is there a painless, diplomatic, polite, or inoffensive way to share the whole gospel?
- #3 Do we tend to nibble around the edges and try to sugarcoat Bible truths by focusing on John 3:16, without sharing John 3:17-18?
- #4 How has the COVID-19 epidemic motivated us to become more urgent with our witnessing of the End Times message ?

Most people resent being preached to. Witnessing one on one can be particularly scary. And we certainly should exercise prayerful discernment in how we address and communicate gospel truths. However, those concerns do <u>NOT</u> excuse or alleviate our scriptural responsibility to testify and evangelize any time the opportunity presents itself.

I encourage every Christian concerned about the eternal destiny of the souls of relatives, friends, coworkers, neighbors, etc., to prepare anew for the many doors that are opening during the pandemic. One time tested method is to follow what is referred to as "The Roman Road". Below are scripture passages that can aid in sharing the gospel massage of salvation.

Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

<u>Romans 5:8</u> "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 10:9 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Romans 10:13 "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Romans 8:1 "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

Romans 8:38-39 "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."