

## BREAKTHROUGH IN EVANGELISM

**Scriptures:** *Matthew 5:13-16; 28:18-20; Luke 5:27-32; John 1:1:41-42; 15:5; Romans 1:18; 10:13-15; 1 Cor. 1:18; 1 Peter 3:15.*

1. *Ice-breaker:* a quick game of “word association”. What words come immediately to mind when you hear the following words: chicken; car; autumn; exams; church; evangelism?
2. On a scale of zero to ten (from absolute fear to appalling insensitivity), how would you rate your attempts at sharing the good news of Jesus?
3. What part does prayer have in fruitful evangelism? [see John 15:4-5; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 6:10-13]. What are the dangers of over-estimating/under-estimating spiritual warfare?
4. Read Luke 5:27-32. What was Levi’s strategy to reach his friends with the good news of Jesus? What might be the lessons for us today from this passage?
5. Read Matthew 5:13-16. What might it mean for followers of Jesus to live as salt and light?
6. “You should never speak about politics and religion!” or so we are told. Why can this never be an option for an obedient follower of Christ with regards to the gospel message? [see e.g. Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 10:13-15]
7. Read Rom. 1:18; 1 Cor. 1:18. What is the message (constituent parts) that contains God’s power? See also a short video of Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-L\\_xl89AlQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-L_xl89AlQ)
8. Take time to pray for a fresh insight into how God loves the world, a new boldness to share your faith, and for God’s wisdom to share your story (testimony) and God’s story (gospel) in a way that is relevant and helpful.