

TUESDAY NIGHT

at the
Crescent

"The Tongue"

Subject: "How to Communicate with the Unconverted"

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30th, 1990

1. The Universe next door: Incarnational Evangelism: Christ is our role model (Philippians 2).
2. Obedience in Evangelism: Every Christian is a missionary (2 Cor. 5: 20; 2 Cor. 5: 18-20).
3. The Seven Principles for Action: John 4:—
 - (a) Contact others socially (John 4: 1-7): withdrawal from those who do not know Jesus Christ is outright disobedience to the will of the Lord.
 - (b) Establish a common interest (John 4: 7-8): inept approaches to the unconverted can be responsible for their rejecting the Gospel message.
 - (c) Arouse interest (John 4: 9-15): The Lord Jesus used His words to arouse a positive response to Himself and His message of truth.
 - (d) Don't go too far (John 4: 13-19): Christ gave the woman only as much of the message as she was ready for.
 - (e) Don't condemn: We can discover in any person at least one thing as a basis for honest compliment.
 - (f) Stick to the main issue: Don't allow secondary questions to sidetrack you from the main issue (John 4: 20-26).
 - (g) Confront the person directly: we must make people realize their personal responsibility to decide for or against Christ.
4. Six guidelines worth remembering (Acts 8: 26-40):—
 - (a) Sensitivity;
 - (b) Availability;
 - (c) Initiative;
 - (d) Tactfulness;
 - (e) Preciseness;
 - (f) Decisiveness.

'On Fishing':

Keep your face toward the light,
Study the fishes curious ways,
Keep yourself well out of sight,
and study patience all your days.

