

HABITS OF A FAITHFUL WORKPLACE EVANGELIST

BACKSTAGE

PRAY (COL 4:2-6)

BE READY TO GIVE AN ACCOUNT (1 PET 3:15)

ADOPT THE RIGHT METRICS (EPH 2:10)

FRONTSTAGE

PUT CHRIST ON THE TABLE (MATT 5:16)

WORK WITH EXCELLENCE (COL. 3:23)

BE AN EVANGELIST (ACTS 1:8)

- USE MEALS STRATEGICALLY (LUNCH AND DINNER)
- INVITE PEOPLE TO CHURCH
- AVOID GRUMBLING AND GOSSIP
- HOLD YOUR CALENDAR LOOSELY

- PURSUE FRIENDSHIP
- LEAVE BREAD CRUMBS (BOOKS, VERSES, PICTURES)
- START A BIBLE STUDY
- *OTHER IDEAS??*

Habits of a Workplace Evangelist – Discussion Questions

Below are a few questions are designed to elaborate on each idea and foster self-reflection.

1. **Pray** (Col. 4:2-6) - Who in your workplace do you pray for regularly? Who else is praying for them?
2. **Be ready to give an answer** (1 Peter 3:15) – Does your witness in the workplace commend the gospel? Do you know the gospel well enough to explain it simply and clearly in a minute or two?
3. **Adopt the right metrics** (Eph. 2:10) – What governs your emotion after sharing the gospel? Are you driven by faithfulness and a desire to joyfully imitate Christ in sharing? Or are you more concerned by the response your gospel presentation generates?
4. **Put Christ on the table** (Matt. 5:16) – Do your Christian and non-Christian colleagues know that you’re a committed and active Christian? Does your boss? How have you made it known to those in your workplace that you’re a follower of Christ?
5. **Work with excellence** (Col. 3:21-24) – How does the fact that you “work for the Lord” shape your effort and attitude day-to-day? How do you regard the opinions and counsel of colleagues who give less than their best at work?
6. **Be an evangelist** (Acts 1:8) – Are you living your life as a faithful witness to the ends of the earth?
7. **Use meals strategically** (lunch and dinner) – Workplace evangelism doesn’t have to literally mean *on the grounds of your workplace*, but rather through relationships *born out of the workplace*. How are you using meals to cultivate deeper relationships with your colleagues? What might be the benefits of opening up your home to your colleagues for evangelistic purposes?
8. **Pursue friendships** – What’s the difference between pursuing friendship and making someone a project? How would your behavior and attitude differ depending on which of the two you were trying to pursue?
9. **Leave bread crumbs** – This idea concerns leaving items out in the open that would trigger questions from your colleagues. What are helpful things you could do to your work space that might invite helpful questions about your faith?
10. **Invite people to church** – When was the last time you invited a non-Christian to church? Have you ever done this before?
11. **Start a Bible study** – Are there any other Christians in your workplace? Do you and your Christian colleagues pray for those who are not believers? How might you consider going about starting a Bible study before work? Have you ever explored the office’s policy on allowing a room onsite to be used for religious purposes?
12. **Hold your calendar loosely** – How rigidly scheduled are you? If someone unexpectedly showed up at your door during the day, would you have any flexibility to make time for them? Are you viewed by your colleagues as flexible and approachable?
13. **Avoid grumbling and gossiping** – Martin Lloyd-Jones said, “By definition a Christian should be a problem and an enigma to every person who is not a Christian.” Are you a problem and an enigma? How do you respond when a colleague begins to gossip or grumble? How does your response differ when it’s happening around multiple colleagues at the same time?