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Are you ready for eternity? If so, are you helping others get ready for that journey into eternity that each of us must take? As believers, we all know that we should tell others about the Lord, but we often don't know how. This practical book gives great ideas for starting conversations with the lost, how to keep them going, examples of various witnessing situations, and solid answers to commonly asked questions. It will help motivate and equip you to reach both friends and strangers for Jesus Christ the rest of your life. Hear stories of real-life encounters that demonstrate how to put these principles into action. Learn how to open conversations and keep them going using very simple questions and ideas familiar to all of us. See how to navigate around common would-be obstacles to walk people right to the gospel. Then see how the lost are impacted to be thinking about their eternal destination and thankful to have their questions answered. You'll be filled with incredible thanks for having given them the help they need and for honoring God by giving them the truth about salvation.

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Doug says

Overall, I found many positive things in the book. Nevertheless, I also have many criticisms, most of which are ironically tied to the compliments. The problem is that, in my opinion, Cahill doesn't have a complete enough view of evangelism, and he breezes over the most important points he makes in the book. My biggest compliment is that the book is inspiring. My primary criticism is that I believe that Cahill repeatedly projects his own passions and talents onto everything and everyone. He makes witnessing more or less the most important thing about Christianity (while it is important, it isn't the primary focus). He also reads the bible through this lens, to the point that he will see witnessing in verses which do not actually have this idea in the text itself. [Click here to continue reading my review.](#)

Kelvin Klien says

Win win win

Iamthird says

Prayed through my yearbook junior and senior year.

David Gregg says

This guy practices a very upfront form of sharing His faith. It is extremely challenging. The stories are refreshing and sometimes inspiring. The evangelism-help is very practical, without being rote or based around one mechanical method. But the tone of the book makes it easy to walk away hating yourself if you can't manage to share your faith as prolifically as the author. It's a good and handy read, but learn to relax and remember that there is more to sharing your faith than confrontational evangelism.

Ryan Hawkins says

I thoroughly enjoyed this. His passion for Christ and reaching the lost is exceptional. It was very refreshing to read. In the midst of all the many, numerous Christian books that are written and read, it is refreshing to find someone who simply really just wants to save people, for he really believes in heaven and hell. I love this about him. It is a book which will make you want to go out and evangelize.

I will later explain why I only give it 4 instead of 5 stars (4.5, if possible), but first, here is some great parts from the book:

In the first chapter he argues that people are afraid of witnessing but that it is a learned talent. Like any other thing, it takes practice, practice, practice. And when one does practice it, it becomes easier and the person becomes more skilled at it.

He also has a chapter where he shows that evangelizing is a win, win, win situation. If they reject, you've been faithful. Or maybe you've just planted a seed. Or maybe they accept Christ. All are winning situations.

I will say here that throughout he is not the type to just run up to someone and force Christ upon them. He does engage with strangers all the time, but he makes a point to say that you should talk to them a while about things first. He also is all about being relational and compassionate. His big thing is that people are longing to have spiritual conversations more than we realize, and that we need to plant seeds.

On this, I really enjoyed the perspective on page 53 that it takes an average of 7.3 times for someone to hear the gospel and then believe it. Therefore, all the seeds planted are so important! This is a good remembrance, especially in just talking to someone quickly and handing out a tract.

In association with this idea, he later in the last couple chapters talks about how not only do people need to hear these seeds, but that you don't know when someone will need the seed. He's shared that you could just be handing out a tract, but that they might in that moment be in a time of searching or crisis, and that one tract they could see as a real sign to pursue Christ. This gives great encouragement in witnessing.

He also gets extremely practical throughout. Especially in chapter 7, "Say What?", where he gives advice on what to say and how to spark the conversation. He talks about asking them about what they think is on the other side; if they celebrate Easter or Christmas; "Can I ask you an interesting question?"; asking what is going on spiritually in their life (as people like spirituality a lot these days); and saying that you're doing a project/survey and then ask them a question. These are all very helpful. I enjoyed this thoroughly.

He also has four questions to keep in mind as you're evangelizing. Nothing too special, but they're a little helpful: What do you mean by that?; How do you know that to be true?; Where do you get your information?; and What if you're wrong?

Besides all this, he simply throughout has great stories from his own experience to show how he engages and speaks. And to show how God has been faithful to him.

So why only 4 stars? It isn't because he is too radical or anything. Not at all. Rather, it is that his theology and way go evangelizing (with mainly using the Ten Commandments) I think isn't as helpful. He is also a little more fire and brimstone, rather than trying to convince people of the glory and goodness of Christ. Again, I get this because hell is real and his logic is right on. But people need to see Christ as compelling. It is a natural thing to just not want to go to hell. On this, I looked online at the tracts he recommends in the book and I really do not think they're as helpful. Instead, Crossway's tracts seem much better.

Moreover, the book itself felt a lot like an unorganized firehouse of information, advice, and stories. Of course it was roughly organized, and it was interesting, but it was harder to read at times simply due to the organization.

That all being said, I love his zeal for others. It's logical if we believe in eternal hell. I really found it refreshing to read and it made me want to go evangelize with tracts more.

Empathy says

If I could suggest just one book to Christians (besides the Bible), it would be this one! When was the last time you shared your faith with someone? If the answer is less than you think it should be (probable everyone!) then you need to read this. Here's a poem from this book:

My Friend

My friend, I stand in judgment now,
And feel that you're to blame somehow.
On Earth I walked with you day by day,
And never did you point the way.
You knew the Lord in truth and glory,
But never did you tell the story.
My knowledge then was very dim;
You could have led me safe to Him.
Though we lived together here on Earth,
You never told me of the second birth.
And now I stand this day condemned,
Because you failed to mention Him.
You taught me many things, that's true;
I called you "friend" and trusted you.
But I learn now that it's too late,
And you could have kept me from this fate.
We walked by day and talked by night,
And yet you showed me not the light.
You let me live, and love, and die,
You knew I'd never live on high.
Yes, I called you "friend" in life,
And trusted you through joy and strife.
And, yet, on coming to this dreadful end,
I cannot, now, call you "my friend."

How many 'friends' do you have?

After reading this one, I would suggest Mark's book Watchmen

Peter says

I listened to the audio book read by the author. The one thing you can't do in heaven is to witness to nonbelievers. This book relates experiences of the author witnessing of Christ in a wide variety of circumstances. It is also a call for all believers in Christ to witness of him. It exams different approaches and techniques to communicate the message. Evangelical. Interesting, forceful and confronting. Author challenges all to follow suit. When he talked about scientific matters I found him naïve. He has some good stories. Not for readers who might be offended by his message.

Kent Kessler says

Will it matter on Judgment Day if you faith with unbelievers? It will matter whether you shared the most precious thing you have with everyone you could. 150,000 people will die today. Where will they spend eternity? This book wants to help send you out with the confidence, boldness, and the love of Jesus to reach a very lost and dying world. Rooted in the Authorized (King James) Version, and armed with quotes from C. H. Spurgeon, the book reveals that one thing you cannot do in heaven: share your faith with a non-believer. What is the value of a soul? If they are breathing, they need Jesus. You need help in getting the conversation going. If 87% of people who come to know Christ do so through a friend, then be about the business to make a friend, be a friend, and lead a friend to Jesus. Don't miss reading his story of hanging out with Charles Barkley and Michael Jordan! This book is Mark's story of his boldness for Christ.

Lily Cowell says

Mark Cahill walks you through evangelizing on the street and explains how, no matter the reaction from the person you share the gospel with, It is always a victory for God.

Joseph says

Really practical. Really convicting.

Brian says

Changed my thinking on evangelism and how to share Jesus with people knowing we have good news to share and gathering the boldness to tell the story.

Joshua says

A very convicting read, while I don't totally agree 100% on Cahill's methods on doing whatever it takes to reach a lost person, I do love his heart for evangelism and took away some very helpful tools to use.

Skye Corfee says

Great!

Challenged me to share my faith and than taught me how to practically do so. Highly recommend for anyone who knows they need to evangelize but is frightened of doing so. This is just the help you need to get started.

Lynn says

The one thing you can't do in heaven is witness to your friends and family in hell. This book teaches you how to witness to anyone. Jesus is not willing that any should perish and he wants your help...

Michael Krauszer says

2nd time reading it - went from giving it 2 Stars to 4 stars. It is a great book that will encourage you to share your faith!
