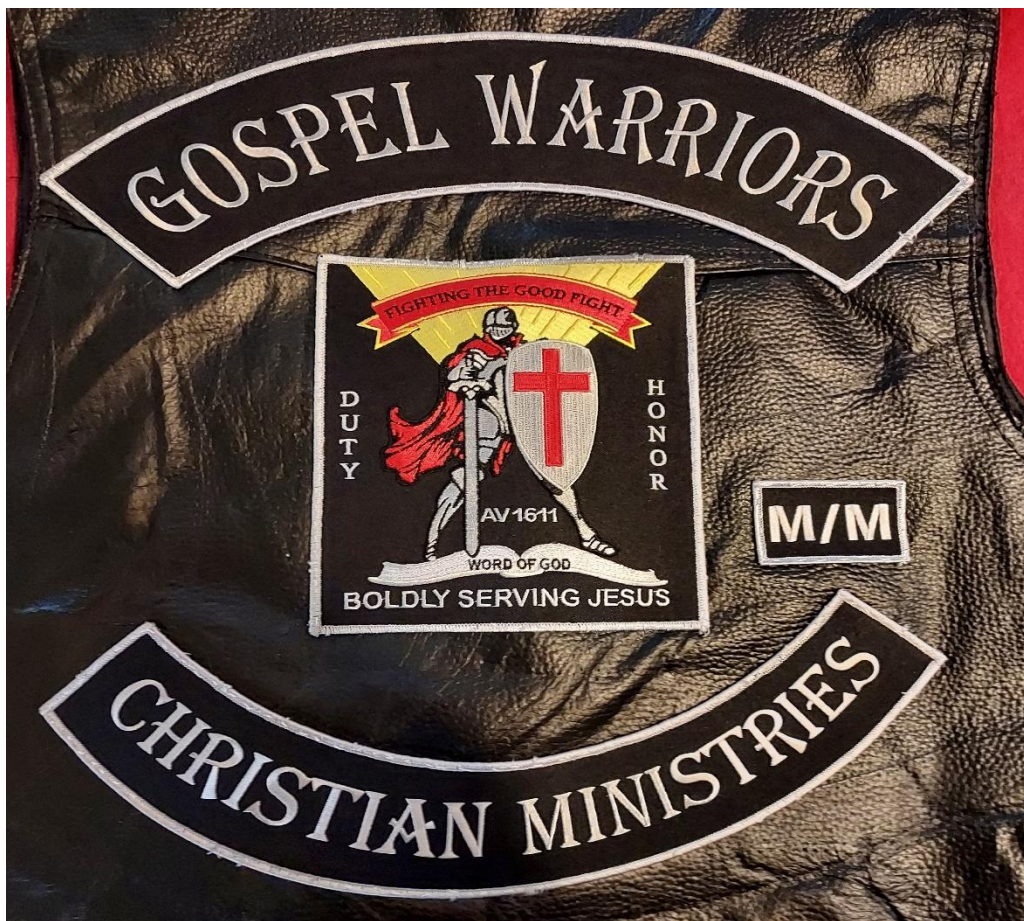


# GOSPEL WARRIORS

A Motorcycle Ministry

## PROCEDURE MANUAL



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## **What is a Gospel Warrior?**

A Gospel Warrior is a Missionary whose primary mission is to witness to the motorcycle community. Our desire is to see that this lost and dying world have every opportunity to hear about the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Although the Motorcycle community is the primary mission, there is also the need for all others that we come in contact with to hear the gospel. This ministry is not a “Church” and therefore we are also members of a good Bible Believing Church.

As a missionary to the motorcycle community, the Warrior will find themselves exposed to a culture that is not Biblical in nature. Thus, a Warrior will need to study and adapt to this culture, but not participate in anything that goes contrary to the Word of God. Bob Jones Sr. (Great preacher of yesteryear) said “It is not right to do wrong to do right”. You do not have to speak like a biker or act like a lost biker in order to try and win a biker to Christ. The Warrior is to try to adapt to the culture as best as they can, but not to the point where if someone was observing, they could not tell the lost biker from the Gospel Warrior.

Jesus experienced this same thing and yet he went to those who needed him most. When conversations turn foul and things seen turn illicit, you can excuse yourself, respectfully, and walk away.

This ministry also exists to create a strong fellowship between all Christians Motorcyclists who are saved.

As a Gospel Warrior, you should take this mission very serious and thus our battle cry (“All souls count”). Whether in or out of the saddle, our goal should be to serve the Lord and present our bodies a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1-2) until the Lord’s return.

## **Gospel Warriors Mission Statement**

Gospel Warriors are a group of dedicated men and women who have been born again (1 Peter 1:23; John 3:7) and made new creatures (2 Corinthians 5:17) in Christ. It is a group of believers who are bold enough and willing enough to live for and serve their Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ 24/7/365.

Mark 16:15 “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature”

With that general command to all of God’s people, Acts 1:8 breaks it down as to where you, the Gospel Warrior, is sent.

Acts 1:8 “But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth”

Thus, our Mission is defined...

(a) “Jerusalem” – That is our neighborhoods, our streets, our city; those who live in your immediate area.

(b) “Judea” – That is our state. Those that live in the next city and all across our state.

(c) “Samaria” – That is our country (The USA)

(d) “The uttermost part of the earth” – That includes all the towns, cities and countries outside of the United States.

Luke 14:23 “And the Lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled”

**NOTE:** As a Christian, you are commanded to win souls to Christ and then (Hebrews 10:25) to get those converts into a good Bible Believing Church. Each Unit should be a part of a local Bible Believing Church as a Church Ministry. When this part of the Scriptures is disobeyed, there is a risk of that “Unit” experiencing false doctrine and man’s personal beliefs disrupting Biblical Truth.

Our mandate is clear: Serve the Lord (Romans 12:1-2) with ‘Reasonable Service’, being ready to give God your all in all. You have been “Bought with a price” (1 Corinthians 6:20), therefore serve the Lord 24/7/365.

## **Our Battle Cry?** **“Every Soul Counts”**

Ezekiel 18:4 “Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine; the soul that sinneth, it shall die”

2 Peter 3:9 “The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance

## Gospel Warriors Doctrinal Statement

### **Our Belief:**

This ministry belongs to God (1 Corinthians 6:20), therefore it is our duty to pray; lead souls to Christ; encourage those that get saved to be a part of a local, Bible Believing Church; and encourage those that are saved to give God 100% of what he asks of them (Romans 12:1-2). 2 Timothy 2:3-4 says that we (Christians) are involved in spiritual warfare and that our foe (1 Peter 5:8) will never rest from his desire to see us fail the Lord. Therefore, it is our duty to serve him 24/7/365.

The following gives a detailed description of what we believe in regards to the following items:

**A. The Scriptures:** We believe in the authority and sufficiency of the Holy Bible. It is infallible and inerrant in all matters of which it speaks. We believe that it is the only final revelation of God to man. We believe the Bible to be the true center of Christian unity and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creed and opinions shall be tried. We believe that God has preserved his Word without error in the King James Authorized Version of the Bible (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:19-21; Matthew 4:4; Psalms 12:6-7; Psalms 119:160; Romans 3:4 and Revelation 22:18-20).

**B. The True God:** We believe that there is only one true God. We believe in the unity of the Godhead, which consists of three persons: The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. It was the Lord Jesus Christ that was conceived by the Holy Ghost and was born a perfect God-man of the virgin Mary. He was crucified, buried and resurrected from the dead and has ascended bodily to the Father's right hand until he returns to the earth (John 1:1-2, 14; Matthew 1:18-25 and Mark 16:6, 9).

**C. Prayer:** We believe that without prayer, there can be no victory in this world today. God commands that every Christian pray (Luke 18:1). 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing". A Gospel Warrior is commanded by the Word of God to daily pray for souls to be saved and for each other as we fight the good fight of faith.

**D. The Salvation of Sinners:** We believe that the salvation of sinners is divinely initiated and wholly of grace through receiving Jesus Christ as Savior (Romans 10:9-13 and Ephesians 2:8-9).

**E. The Security of the Believer:** We believe that all who are truly born again are eternally secure in Christ from the moment of salvation. (1 Peter 1:5; John 10:27-30; Philippians 1:6; Romans 8:35-39 and Jude 1)

**F. The Church:** We believe that a local church is an organized congregation of immersed baptized believers, with the scriptural office of a Pastor to preform the duties clearly defined in the Scriptures (1 Corinthians 11:2; Acts 20:17; 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Acts 2:41-42; 1 Corinthians 1:1-13; Matthew 20:28 and Titus 1).

**G. Baptism:** We believe that all Christians should be immersed in water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, which demonstrates our identification with the crucified, buried and risen Savior. (John 3:23; Romans 6:3-5; and Matthew 28:18-20).

**H. The Second Coming of Jesus Christ:** We believe that Jesus will come back again (1 Thessalonians 4:14-18) in the same manner as when he departed this earth (Acts 1:10-11).

### **IMPORTANT TO ALL BELIEVERS:**

-The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 6:19 “What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?” (also Romans 6:13). We believe that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost and therefore should abstain from the use of tobacco, alcohol and addictive drugs. We affirm a position against pre-marital, extra-marital and deviant sex, including homosexual relationships (Romans 1:26-27). It is our belief that a Gospel Warrior should refuse to accept the loose moral standards of today’s society.

### **Why “Unit” and not “Chapter” or “Club”**

When referring to our group, we will identify each established group by using the word “Unit”. Throughout the country, almost all Motorcycle Clubs and Ministries refer to their formalized groups of bikers as “Chapters” or “Clubs”. It is our belief that we are in a spiritual battle, which should be taken very serious by all Christians. The Apostle Paul writes in 2 Timothy 2:3 that we are good soldiers of Jesus Christ and as such, we should be willing to fight the good fight of faith 7/24/365. The U.S. Military, a group of men and women, who are ready to fight for this nation, assemble in groups called “Units” with the assigned objective to defend and protect our nation.

We, the Gospel Warriors, fight a battle but ours is a spiritual battle (Ephesians 6). We war against a foe that never gives up, and never rests. This is why we feel the word “Unit” best defines our organized group of Christian Motorcyclists. This battle should be taken seriously by all Christians.

Gospel Warriors are not a group of “Weekend Warriors”. We are a group of Christians seeking to achieve the same results that Paul achieved when he was able to say, before his passing...

-2 Timothy 4:7 “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith”

-2 Timothy 4:8 “Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing”

## **Gospel Warriors Mission Plan**

There are several steps that a Gospel Warrior is encouraged to read and put into action.

### **(1) Be a Soul Winner:**

- It is a bible command for every born again Christian to be a soul winner.
- Mark 16:15 “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature”

### **(2) Encourage and Motivate those already saved to grow:**

- One way to achieve this is to encourage those that are already saved to start attending a Bible Believing Church.
- Luke 14:23 “And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled”
- This will give souls an opportunity to hear the gospel and get saved. But, it will also give the person who is already born again an opportunity to grow (Ephesians 4:11-12).

**NOTE:** We fully believe that a Christian should find their way to a good Bible Believing Church.

- Hebrews 10:25 “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much more, as ye see the day approaching. (That approaching day is the day that Jesus comes back).

### **(3) As members of the Gospel Warriors, You should study and grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.**

- 2 Timothy 2:15 “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth”.
- A Gospel Warrior needs to spend time in God’s Word each day. It is the command of God’s Word that you should be ready to answer every man.
- Colossians 4:6 “Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how you ought to answer every man”.

### **(4) Make sure that your speech is God honoring and profitable to the Kingdom of God**

- Ephesians 4:29 “Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.”
- The goal of every Gospel Warrior should be to refrain from speaking anything that is untruthful, unclean or unprofitable to the Lord who saved you.

### **(5) Each member must read and study the “Soul Winning Manual” that is attached to this “Procedural Manual”**

## **Becoming a member of the Gospel Warriors**

We feel that it is important to provide any new prospective member with information about the Gospel Warriors and ensure that the new prospective member understands all that is required of them in this ministry as a missionary to the motorcycle community. Each new prospect will be required to read this “Procedure Manual” in its entirety. In addition, the prospect will be expected to give an account of the time when they received Jesus Christ as Savior (Their Testimony).

### **(1) Prospect Period:**

After reading this manual, those interested in becoming a member will be required to wait approximately three months to ensure that they can see all that is involved in this ministry. It is during this time that those that are already in this ministry can observe the prospect to see if they are ready and willing to follow the requirements set forth by this manual and by the Word of God.

-NOTE: There may also be material to be gone through by the prospect that can be picked out by those that may mentor the prospect.

### **(2) Membership Time:**

The prospect will, at this time, present themselves before the ministry members for examination of what they have done over the last three months. Once satisfied, the members will gather around the prospect and have prayer, welcoming them into the Gospel Warriors Motorcycle Ministry.

New members will be required to donate at least \$150.00 to help pay for their patches. There will be a yearly required donation made to help support the work. Members are welcome to freely donate each month.

## **Active Membership**

Members will be required to make the monthly meetings (Which will be announced for time and location). Members are to present a Christ like attitude and behavior (That is what “Christian” means – “Christ like”).

-Members must follow Biblical Standards in their walk and actions.

-Members are to be Soul Winners and take every opportunity to speak to someone about Jesus or at the least, hand out a Gospel Tract.

-Members are required to prayerfully support this ministry (Praying daily for the success of this ministry as we battle our number one foe (1 Peter 5:8).



## **Gospel Warriors and the Church**

Gospel Warriors Motorcycle Ministry is a Christian Motorcycle group whose primary focus is winning souls for Christ and then training those converts to be Christians (Christ like). We believe that if this ministry is to be effective, our members need to be a part of a local Bible Believing Church. Every effort should be made, after winning them to Christ, to place them in that kind of a church. We stress the Bible Believing Baptist Church because of their doctrinal stance on God's Word. We believe that the King James Bible is the official Bible that God has made available for all mankind, without error. **NOTE:** It is interesting to note that the King James Bible is the only Bible, minus any study notes, that does not contain a copyright. You can print those bibles all day long without any copyright infringements. If there are no churches that fit that standard in the area of your convert, then we suggest that they find something as close as possible for the sake of their Christian growth.

### **Question? Why do we prefer, but not require a Bible Believing Baptist Church?**

Most motorcycle ministries in this country are inter-denominational organizations and focus mainly on winning souls to Jesus. We whole heartily agree on winning souls, however, when it comes to restoration and Christian growth through the Bible, we believe that this is where problems arise when the Bible is taught incorrectly. Different denominations believe different things and that causes confusion. We believe in the fundamentals of the faith and go by one standard, using that King James Bible. We believe that this will best equip the Christian for their new life in the Lord. Salvation is just the first step (Enlisting the Soldier for Jesus). Now, the new recruit must learn correct doctrinal lessons, in order to best serve their Lord. This is why we use the King James Bible and teach from what the Fundamental Independent Baptist Church has taught for decades.

## **Prayer for those who ride**

There is an event done by most Motorcycle Ministries called "Blessing of the Bikes". This is an opportunity to pray with a motorcyclist for safety during their ride and/or any needs that he/she may have. Although we do not use that title (Blessing of the Bikes), we do believe that when God opens a door, it is an opportunity to pray and witness for the Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Basic Guide lines for representing the Gospel Warriors**

- (1) Commit to the patch that you wear; “Boldly serving Jesus”
- (2) Walk the Christian walk (Ephesians 4:1); even when you are not wearing your cut. (Once in this ministry, your vest will be referred to as a “Cut”)
- (3) Carry a New Testament (Pocket) at all times (Hebrews 4:12 and Ephesians 6). Your Bible is your Sword, used to fight the good fight of faith (2 Timothy 4:7).
- (4) Always carry Gospel Tracts with you. This is a great way to plant seed and help win souls to Jesus Christ.
- (5) It is especially important to be modest in apparel (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). What you wear reflects on who you represent; The Lord Jesus Christ and this ministry.
- (6) The use of tobacco or alcohol are strictly forbidden during ministry meetings and any other ministry functions. DO NOT wear your cut and partake in any of those things.

### **The Gospel Warriors Vest/Cut**

Important: The Gospel Warriors patch (3 Piece) is referred to as a “Patch” and not “Colors”. The word “Colors” within the motorcycle culture is a term used by motorcycle clubs (MC’s). Once your patches are sewn onto a vest, from that point forward the vest will be referred to as a “Cut”.

As a member of this ministry, you must realize that whatever you do while wearing your cut, will bring direct attention to this ministry and the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is important that while identified with this ministry, you try your best to be “Christ like” (A Christian).

(1) The back of your cut: Top rocker; Gospel Warrior patch and the Bottom rocker which identifies the group as “Christian Ministries”. There is also a “M/M” small patch. NOTE: No other patches are to be put on the back of the cut, especially territorial rockers including city, state, unit or location. Those type of rockers are used mainly with the 1% crowd.

(2) The front of the cut: American flag on the left side (Over the heart); name tag on the right. Other patches and pins can be added but must not bring any reproach to this ministry or the Lord Jesus Christ.

**NOTE:** Removal and recovery of this ministry patch. The unit must meet and a vote must be taken in order to ask a member to remove and return their back patches. The member is expected to comply and no reimbursement should be

expected or given. This can only be done by an official meeting having received a two-thirds vote from the unit.

The Cut will be worn to all official Gospel Warrior attended rides and functions, events, rallies, meetings, etc. It is highly recommended that every time you mount up, the cut should be worn, as you have chosen to be a part of a Missionary ministry which requires your attention 24/7/365. (24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year).

### **When NOT; to wear your cut?**

- (1) When operating your motorcycle in a way that breaks the law (i.e. – speeding; erratic unlawful driving; aggressive driving.
- (2) Continuing to not follow the instructions set up by the Road Captain; riding with other groups that ends up bringing reproach to your Savior and your Unit.
- (3) While in possession of any alcoholic beverages (Including near beer).
- (4) While in possession of and use of any tobacco products including electronic cigarettes.
- (5) While participating in any activity that brings any shadow upon the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, or upon this ministry, or upon your unit in which you are a member.
- (6) While carrying any weapons (Guns, Hunting Knives, etc.) Those who have a concealed weapons permit will have to check with their unit on further permission to carry and special attention must be paid to the area where they are located.

## **Gospel Warrior Foot Soldiers**

**Question:** Do you have to have a motorcycle to be a part of this ministry? No!

There are Christian men and women, who do not own a motorcycle, nor do they ride, but if they are saved and have a desire to serve the Lord in some capacity and be a witness for Him, they are more than welcome to join.

It is through this part of the ministry of Gospel Warriors that they can faithfully learn and serve.

As a Gospel Warrior Foot Soldier, they can also contribute valuable support by helping provide in any logistics required for future events along with much needed encouragement for those who do ride in “Harm’s way”.

-Requirements for members of the Foot Soldiers:

- (1) Must be 18 years of age or older
- (2) Give a testimony of salvation and should be a member in good standing with a Bible Believing Church. (Preferably an Independent Baptist Church).
- (3) Dress modestly, being aware that they are represent the Lord and this ministry.
- (4) Carry a King James Bible (At least a New Testament Soul Winners Bible).
- (5) Carry good gospel tracts to be given out as the opportunity presents itself.
- (6) Try their best to make the monthly meets unless unavoidably detained.

### **Gospel Warrior Ministry By-Laws**

Each unit shall be comprised of at least five members:

- (1) Unit President
- (2) Unit Vice-President
- (3) Unit Chaplain
- (4) Unit Secretary/Treasurer
- (5) Unit Road Captain

#### **\*\*Unit President**

-This member will ensure that the Unit maintains the ministry focus; overseeing all that is done with their unit.

#### **\*\*Unit Vice-President**

-This member will assume the responsibilities of the Unit President during his absence. This member will also stay abreast of all that goes on in the unit, aiding the Unit President.

#### **\*\*Unit Chaplain**

-This member administers spiritual guidance and encourages those within the unit.

#### **\*\*Unit Secretary/Treasurer**

-This member maintains the minutes of each meeting; makes sure that money matters are taken care of and any other duties as directed by the Unit President.

#### **\*\*Unit Road Captain**

-This member plans and oversees every ride; decides routes; stops, etc. This person is responsible for the safety and operation of each motorcycle and the safety of each member while on the road. NOTE: The Unit President or Vice-President has the ability to step in and change any plan if they see it necessary.

### **Important Note to all Gospel Warriors**

It is the job of every Gospel Warrior to be a Soul Winner and to be an example to those that they come in contact with. Although our mission is to be available to minister to the Motorcycle community, it is also very important to encourage other

Christians in the local churches to be more effective and responsible for the Lord. Overall, a Gospel Warrior should try their best to meet the spiritual needs of their community and be an example with a “Christ like” spirit.

## **Gospel Warriors Group Riding**

### **Personal Rider Pre-Ride Checklist:**

This is done before arriving at the Pre-ride Briefing. It is up to each rider to ensure that you and your motorcycle are ready for a group ride.

- (1)** Ensure that your motorcycle is mechanically sound (As best as you can see) for this ride.
- (2)** Ensure that your tank is filled. This will prevent a premature fall out of the group and then trying to catch up down the road. During the group ride, the Road Captain should schedule a fuel stop for the entire group.
- (3)** Ensure that you have the proper clothing (Jacket, etc.) for the ride. Also Carry any extra things that you think you will need.
- (4)** Ensure that your cell phone is fully charged in case you have to make a call in any emergency.

### **Riders will have a Pre-Ride Briefing:**

Prior to each group ride, the lead rider or designee will conduct a briefing for the entire group. During this brief, the lead rider will review the route to the final destination and any pertinent road conditions. This should be done as expeditiously as possible. The following talking points shall be covered prior to every ride.

- (1)** Staggered Riding – alternating lane positions, 2-second interval to the rider in front of you. 1 second to the rider in the alternate track. NOTE: The lead rider rides to the left.
- (2)** Stop Signs – Double up, proceed through as pairs and then separate back into staggered positions.  
**NOTE:** When riding curves, intersections, etc. straighten out to single file with a 2 to 3 second spacing.
- (3)** Stop Lights – Stop if the light turns red, regardless of position in the group and then proceed on green when safe.
- (4)** Land Changes – Pass signal back, do not move, “sweep” (See def. Below) will move to block the lane, once the lane is secured, Lead Road Captain will move.  
**NOTE:** Move only after the rider in front of you moves.

- (5) Passing Traffic – Single up while passing, using your own judgment. Return to your own lane as soon as possible, leaving room for the rider behind you to get in.
  - (6) Filling in a Gap – If a gap occurs in the group while riding in staggered formation, fill the position by changing track. Do not pass another rider.
  - (7) Hand Signals – All hand signals are to be passed back quickly.
  - (8) When riding, don't just look up to the next bike. You should look far ahead so you can see any danger coming.
  - (9) Emergency / Breakdown Events Procedure – If you are behind the event and can pass safely, keep moving cautiously. The Sweep rider will stop and determine what is needed.
- NOTE:** IF you are separated from the group, do not panic. The group should have a pre-planned procedure in place to regroup. Do not break the law or ride beyond your skills to catch up.
- (10) Gas Station Stop – You should stop as a group when gas is needed.

**Sweep Rider** – A sweep rider is someone that assists the Road Captain by being the last rider.

- (1) Will be observant of any hazardous conditions and take immediate corrective action. This rider will inform the Road Captain at the earliest safe opportunity.
- (2) Will use his/her best judgment, in the event the group becomes split and in the absence of a Road Captain, to determine in which position (Lead or Sweep) to ride.
- (3) Will bring a well-stocked first aid kit to the ride.
- (4) Will bring a well-stocked tool kit to the ride.
- (5) Should have a fully charged cell phone to stay in touch with the Road Captain and to call 911 if needed.

### **Final thought for this Ministry**

Although this ministry is a Motorcycle Ministry, it is important to understand that as Christians, we are required to be a witness to everyone that we come in contact with. Whether a person is a motorcyclist or not, they all need the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Therefore, it is our job and a Biblical command (Mark 16:15) to witness to everyone. Let's remember our battle cry – "Every Soul Counts".

# Soul Winning Manual

To help teach Christians the way to have a  
Successful Fire Rescue

*“And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire,  
hating even the garment spotted by the flesh”  
Jude 1:23*



*“You have nothing to do but win souls”  
John Wesley  
“He that winneth souls is wise”  
Proverbs 11:30*

## **The Objective of this Material**

The following material has been put together in an effort to help you, the Christian, to become a Soul Winner for Jesus Christ. John Wesley, an English Clergyman and the founder of the Methodist Church said this, “You have nothing to do but win souls”. This was said in the latter 1700’s and the statement is just as true for today.

Just how important is a soul winner? Matthew 16:26 says “For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?”. This verse tells you that the most important thing that any person has is their “Soul”.

Because of sin, in the garden (Genesis 3), we are all born sinners (Romans 3:23) and therefore are condemned. Ezekiel 18:4 tells us that “The soul that sinneth, it shall die”. The death that is referred to is everlasting death in a place called the Lake of Fire. It is because of sin that Jesus Christ came and died on a cross, to pay the price for our sin.

The Lord is not willing (2 Peter 3:9) that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. Now that sin has been paid for, at Calvary, it is up to each individual to hear what was done and accept that payment by faith, to receive salvation.

How does the sinner find out about salvation? God sends out his people that have already been saved to tell those who are not saved, what they need to do to be saved.

Dr. John R. Rice, that great soul winner of yesteryear said “The winning of individuals by individuals in personal conversation is the main way to win souls” The purpose of this material is to try to help you to become a successful soul winner (Fire Rescuer) for the Lord.

Please remember that you are all that an unsaved person has to steer him or her towards Heaven. When the Lord gave the command in Luke 14:23 “Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in that my house may be filled”, he gave that command to you, the Christian. Don’t allow another day or soul to pass you by without trying all you can to rescue that soul from Hell.



## **Why go Soul Winning?**

**(1)** (Mark 16:15) Because God commanded us to go.

-It is not a question of whether you feel liking going or even want to go, you are commanded to go.

-Acts 1:8 says “Ye shall be witnesses unto me”

-You are told to “Go” in Mark 5:19 and Luke 14:23.

**(2)** (Revelation 20:15) Because sinners are perishing.

-Those without Christ are “Damned” (Mark 16:16) and have the wrath of God already abiding on them (John 3:36).

-Unlike the Jehovah’s Witnesses who are trying to extinguish the flames of Hell by rewriting the Bible, a soul winner’s mission is to rescue that lost person from the flames of Hell.

**(3)** (John 4:35) Because the field is calling us.

-Matthew 9:37-38 “The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest”

-The “Field” is that area directly outside the church doors and there many that are lost and on their way to Hell.

**(4)** (John 15:16) Because Jesus Christ has chosen you.

-In John 16:8, the Lord tells you to “Bear much fruit” which is done when you lead a soul to Christ (Not just one or two, but “Much”).

**(5)** (Luke 15:7) Because Heaven is encouraging us.

-There is great joy in Heaven every time you witness to and lead a person to the Lord.

-It makes you wonder if there is not disappointment in heaven because day after day you don’t open your mouth for the Lord Jesus Christ.

**(6)** (Luke 16:27) Because Hell is requesting us.

-That personal letter from a man in Hell says that he (The Rich man) cried out that someone be sent to his house to testify unto his family “Lest they also come into this place of torment”.

**(7)** (Romans 13:12) Because time is challenging us.

-In other words, you do not have much time left to win a soul to Christ.

-Time is running out and the Lord will be returning soon.

## How to prepare before you go Soul Winning

### (1) Purchase a Soul Winners Bible

-A small Bible that will fit in a man's back pocket or a ladies' purse.

### (2) Carry good gospel tracts.

-These can be given to those that you try to witness to, or left with the person to read later on.

-**NOTE:** Carry your tracts in some kind of a small plastic folder. You will be much more successful if you give a tract that is not folded or soiled.

### (3) Carry a pen and a small pad (Index cards, etc.)

-You should make note of a person's name so that you can remember and pray for that person in the future.

-Also, any other prayer requests that they might have should be noted so that you will not forget.

### (4) Make sure that you are prepared – Both spiritually and physically.

#### **\*\*Spiritually:**

(a) As a Soul Winner, you need to make sure that you are clean inside.

-2 Timothy 2:21 "If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour sanctified, and meet for the master's use"

-All sin must be put under the blood.

-Sin in your life will deteriorate your soul winning zeal.

(b) As a Soul Winner, you need to Pray (Before, during and after you go)

-Pray as Paul prayed, asking for free course of the Word of God.

-Pray and ask the Lord to awaken them to their need (Matthew 13:13, 15)

-The job of the Holy Ghost is to convict them of their sin (John 16:8-9).

-Pray and ask the Lord to protect you as you go.

#### **\*\*Physically:**

(a) As a Soul Winner, you make sure that you are clean and neat in appearance.

-Make sure that your breath is clean and fresh.

-Make sure that you are clean and have deodorant on.

-Make sure that your hair is combed and clothes are clean and neat.

-Make sure that you have a Flash Light (In case it is night time).

(b) As a Soul Winner, you should make sure that your personality is pleasant.

-Make sure that you smile; don't stand there with a frown on your face.

-Make sure that you are friendly and cheerful.

-Make sure that you are polite (Be gentle and considerate).

-Make sure that you are sympathetic.

## **Making a map of your New Testament**

The “Romans Road” to salvation is given by using scriptures from the Book of Romans. The late Dr. Jack Hyles, who was the pastor of First Baptist Church of Hammond, Indiana, preferred and taught this method (He was called “Mr. Soul Winner”).

To make a map in your New Testament, you need to get a fine tip, non-smear pen and mark the following verses.

- (1) Start with Romans 3:10 and on the margin beside this verse write “3:23” so that you will turn there next.
- (2) Then by Romans 3:23 write “5:12” in the margin
- (3) Then by Romans 5:12 write “6:23” in the margin
- (4) Then by Romans 6:23 write “5:8” in the margin
- (5) Then by Romans 5:8 write “10:9-13 in the margin

-This is the order that you can use, starting with Romans 3:10 and 3:23 which helps establish to the person that you are witnessing to that they are sinners.

-By the time you get to Romans 10:9-13, you will be wrapping it up and showing them that they need to call upon the name of the Lord for salvation.

## **Approaching the person you are going to witness to**

-You can introduce yourself and let them know who you are. You may offer some light conversation, then comes the most important question anyone could be asked.

**-NOTE:** Body language and facial expression is very important when approaching someone, especially someone that you have never met. You should not present yourself aggressively or with a look of fear. A look of confidence should be given because of what you have to offer them. After all, you have the “Truth” in your hand and the Bible way for a soul to go to Heaven and avoid a Devil’s Hell.

**\*\*Now comes that all important question that you need to ask them; asking them compassionately, with concern.**

- “If you died today, where would you be? Heaven? Hell? Or you just don’t know”?

**-NOTE:** Don’t ask anyone if they are a Christian. That is what most Americans consider themselves to be because they think this country to be a Christian nation.

-Their answer will vary, from Heaven, or Hell, or “I just don’t know!”

-At this point, unless they are sure about salvation, you should take this opportunity and ask them “Can I show you from God’s Word, how you can know for sure about going to Heaven?”

-This is where you can open a tract (Using the verses in that tract), or the Bible and give them the following verses from the book of Romans.

**NOTE:** There are many places to give the plan of Salvation. Isaiah or 1 Corinthians or the book of Romans. One of the most successful places you can take them is to the book of Romans. The following plan is what many Soul Winners have used for many years to win souls – The Romans Road.

## **The Romans Road**

**(1)** Have the one that you are dealing with look at Romans 3:10 and then Romans 3:23.

-Romans 3:10 “As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one”

-Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God”

-These verses establish the fact that we are all sinners and it is important that the lost sinner see this. The old preacher used to say “You can’t get a man saved until you first get him lost”

-He or she must understand that they are a sinner.

-You can tell this person that although there are many good persons, by human standards, God sees the heart and he sees all as sinners.

**(2)** Have the one that you are dealing with now look at Romans 5:12

-Romans 5:12 “Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so, death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned”

-This verse tells the person where and when sin came into this world.

-This verse says that because of that sin “Death passed upon ALL MEN, for that ALL have sinned”

**(3)** Have the one that you are dealing with look at Romans 6:23

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

-There are two parts here and you start with the first part (“For the wages of sin is death”).

-You can ask them if they work and collect a pay check. Tell them that at the end of the week, that any worker will hold out their hand, expecting what is due them (Their pay; wages).

-Then tell them that because of their sin, God will give them what is due them, "Death".

-The second part is now given ("But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord").

-You can show them that God gave Jesus Christ as a gift to all, paying the price of that "Death" that sin demands as a wage.

-And the only thing that any one has to do is come to the Lord and take that gift.

-**NOTE:** You can expound a minute or two on the fact that this "Gift" is just that, a "Gift". It has already been paid for and all you have to do is take it!

**(4)** Have the one that you are dealing with look at Romans 5:8

-Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us"

-This is given to show the wonderful truth that while we are sinners and deserve death, Jesus Christ came and died in our place.

-You might ask the person that you are witnessing to, "Do you see that you are a sinner and deserve to pay, but Jesus has paid it all for you?"

-Salvation is free; it has already been paid for.

-All a person has to do is ask for the gift that was paid for at Calvary's Cross.

**(5)** Have the one you are dealing with look at Romans 3:24-25

-Romans 3:24 "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus"

-Romans 3:25 "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through forbearance of God;"

-A person must trust in the blood that was shed at the cross of Calvary.

**(6)** Have the one that you are dealing with look at Romans 10:9-10,13

-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 10:10 "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation"

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

-You can now tell them that since Christ has died in their place and paid the sinner's debt, then, all that is left for them to do is to call out to the Lord, with a repentant heart and ask to be saved.

-**NOTE:** 2 Timothy 2:22 "...them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart". This tells you that this "Call" is from the heart and not just the mouth.

\*\*There must be a heart-felt repentance!

-At this time, I always ask them if they would like to have a word of prayer and get this thing settled before it's too late.

-**NOTE:** I always take my soul winners Bible and hold it out and tell them that as we pray, would they take hold of the other end of it while we pray, showing the Lord that they mean business.

### **Question? Does the prayer save them?**

**NO!** It is faith (Ephesians 2:8-9) in what Jesus did on the Cross. It is wise to get the sinner to pray and ask God to save them. We know that when the heart of the sinner turns to Jesus Christ and trusts him, that is when a person gets saved, whether they consciously pray or not.

-Romans 10:9 says that it is with the "Heart" that a person believes. It is with the "Mouth" that the confession is made. Confession does not save, but it is a demonstration of saving faith.

-Romans 10:13 says "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (The Sinner calling!)

-The dying thief prayed out loud in Luke 23:39-43 and he got saved.

-The publican in the temple prayed out loud in Luke 18:13-14) and he was saved.

-When a lost person accepts Jesus Christ with his or her heart, they get saved, but this same person who calls out in prayer, in connection with their faith, is likely to have more assurance of what they have just experienced.

### **Praying to get saved**

After you ask that person if they want to be saved and they say "Yes", you can then tell them that you want them to bow their head and the best way they know how, ask Jesus Christ to save them.

-If they don't know how to pray, you can say "Do you want me to show you what to say to the Lord; I will pray along with you and you can repeat after me.

-When you do this, be very careful to tell them that what they are repeating should not be told back to you, but to the Lord.

-Tell them you are just merely telling them what to say and that they should direct what they are saying to the Lord.

## **What to Pray?**

Tell that person if they will receive Jesus Christ as their Savior, with a repentant heart, that they should bow their head right now and sincerely as the Lord Jesus Christ to forgive them of their sins and to come into their heart and save them.

**-Example:** “Dear Lord, I confess that I am a sinner worthy of Hell. Lord Jesus, I believe that you died on the cross to pay for my sins with your shed blood, was buried and arose again the third day. I ask you now to forgive me my sins and come into my heart and save me, in “Jesus name. Amen”

-Once they have prayed, then you can finish by telling them that you want to pray for them.

## **Plan given but no conversion**

Once you have finished the plan of salvation, you need to ask them if they want to get things settled with God and pray and ask Christ to save them. They may say that they don't want to pray at this time.

There are some who will tell you that they would rather go to Church Sunday and do this in the Church house. (Generally, they say this but they will never darken the door of the Church house).

You can take them to 2 Corinthians 6:2 “...behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation”

At this point you can explain (Compassionately) that to put off trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation could result in disaster for all eternity. I always tell them “God forbid, but something may happen to you tomorrow or the next day, before you get things right with God, and then it will be too late! If that happens, it will be too late for you to ever be saved. You need to consider getting this thing taken care of today!

## **Assurance for the one who accepts Christ as Savior**

-When a person gets saved, it is important to show them from the scriptures that they can know for sure that they are saved.

-I take the new convert to 1 John 5:11-13 and read those scriptures.

-You can ask them “\_\_\_\_\_”, according to these verses (Pointing to 1 John 5:11-13), where would you go today, if you were to die right now?”

-If they say “To Heaven”, you can ask them “Why do you say Heaven”?

-You want to hear something to the effect of “Because the Bible says that I will go to Heaven, because I have trusted Jesus Christ as my Savior”

- You can also give them Hebrews 13:5 where the Lord is quoted as saying “I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee”
- After the assurance has been given, it is best to shake their hand again and welcome them into the family of God.

## **The biggest mistake made, after the person gets saved?**

What would you say to a mother who bore a child and then she took that child and put him or her over in a corner and never paid attention to that child (Feeding; care; etc.). Paul, over and over again, called his converts his children. And because they were his children, he was concerned for them and wanted them to grow and succeed in their Christian life.

## **Two important things that accompany salvation?**

- (1) The new convert should be encouraged to make a public profession of faith.
  - You can read Matthew 10:32 “Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven”.
  - Explain to them that there is a special joy in claiming Christ openly. The Lord wants us to be a witness before all men, starting with the testimony before all men that we have gotten saved.
  - You can tell the new convert this is easily done by coming to Church Sunday and at the end of the service, during the invitation, walking the aisle (The soul winner can tell him or her that they will accompany them down to the front), to make a public profession of their new faith in Jesus Christ.
- (2) The new convert should be encouraged to follow the Lord in baptism.
  - You can tell them that Jesus Christ made much of this. It is in the great commission given in Matthew 28 and Mark 16.
  - You can read them Matthew 28:19-20 and Mark 16:16.
  - This practice of baptism is a universal practice of New Testament Christians.
  - Another passage that can be given is Acts 16:25-34 (The Philippian Jailer and his family).



## **Some “Don’ts in Soul Winning from “Drawing the Net”**

### **By Buddy Murphrey**

- (1) Don’t argue: You never get anywhere arguing. That puts up a barrier between you and the person that you are witnessing to.
- (2) Don’t talk over his head. Don’t use big theological words that he will not understand.
- (3) Don’t talk down to the sinner. Don’t act like you are better than he is.
- (4) Don’t chase rabbits. Don’t get side tracked on opinions, doctrines, etc. Stay with the gospel.
- (5) Don’t put him on the defensive. That is done by criticizing or condemning their religion, etc.
- (6) Don’t talk too fast. Don’t be like a nervous, over-anxious salesman.
- (7) Don’t be rude to the sinner. Don’t talk to the sinner like a preacher would talk to sinners from the pulpit. You are on their ground; they just may end it before it gets started.
- (8) Don’t build him up by telling him he is a good person. Before you can get a person saved, you are going to have to get that person to realize that they are not such a good person at all.
- (9) Don’t make contact with who you are witnessing to. Avoid intimate contact; avoid leaning or lying on the person.
- (10) Don’t make long prayers with the sinner. A short prayer; to the point is all that is needed.
- (11) Don’t be guilty of having bad breath or body odor. Summer time in Florida will cause you to sweat like a stuffed pig; try to be clean and cologne up before you left home.
- (12) Don’t preach denomination! The convert will usually do what you want him or her to do after you win them to Christ.
- (13) Don’t let him do the preaching. Once you start the Romans Road, stay in the driver’s seat.
- (14) Don’t take their excuses seriously, don’t call them a liar, but let their excuses go in one ear and out the other.
- (15) Don’t be harsh like an attorney on cross-examination. Show tenderness and love for the sinner.
- (16) Don’t expect the sinner to have the same experience that you had. Give him or her the gospel and get them to Jesus, not an experience.
- (17) Don’t push the sinner beyond his or her measure. Your part may be to sow seed, or to water. The increase will come later.

(18) Don't ever try to get the sinner to give up certain specific sins. Show him or her that they are lost and they need to repent and trust the Lord.

(19) Don't ever tell them to think about it for a while. Always ask them if they would like to receive Christ today. You must pressure them in his aspect because you may never see them again.

(20) Don't be a religious nut while you are in someone's house giving the gospel. Any hollering "amen" or jerking around or shouting "Glory" will end up scaring that person away from Christ. Exhibit a sane, sensible, pleasing disposition while dealing with non-Christians.

(21) Don't wear out your welcome. If you notice that the person has become restless and keeps looking at their watch, then it is time to make a graceful exit. In doing so, you just may leave that door open for another visit.

(22) Don't burn the bridge for any future visit. Just because that person is rude or not interested or tells you off, that does not give you license to blast them with a hell fire rebuke "In Jesus Name"! Thank them for their time anyway and leave without any negative comments. Let them act the fool!

## **Praying for the Lost**

It is important if you want to see people get saved, that you will need to pray for them. If the Lord gives you a burden to see someone saved, then that tells you that the Lord wants that person saved. That burden you have been given for a certain individual means that God wants to work through you as a human vessel to see that person saved.

It is a time you must see that praying for that lost person is very important. There are several things you must remember when praying for the lost.

### **(1) Pray believingly.**

-Mark 11:24 “Therefore I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them”

-Prayer is the Key, but faith will unlock the door. We must pray believing that God is working in the sinner’s heart and preparing him or her for our visit.

### **(2) Pray realizing that with God all things are possible.**

-Mark 10:27 “And Jesus looking upon them saith, with men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible”

-When you pray, don’t whittle God down to your power and size. Realize how big and really powerful God is and pray with the understanding that nothing is too hard for the Lord.

### **(3) Pray asking the soul to be saved for God’s glory.**

-John 14:13 “Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son”

-Praying for a man to get saved so that he would make a better husband is a bit selfish, even though it is true. You should pray for souls to be saved so that they will no longer dishonor God, but glorify God.

### **(4) Pray beseeching God to awaken them.**

-Matthew 13:13,15

-Pray that the Holy Ghost will reveal the sinner’s sinful conditions to him. You should pray that God will give them “Hearing ears” and “Believing hearts”. Pray that God will open their understanding.

### **(5) Pray claiming the tearing down of Satan’s strongholds in that soul.**

-2 Corinthians 10:4 “For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds”

-The Devil has built up lies, false doctrines, stumbling blocks and other strongholds in the minds of the unsaved to keep them from receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. He has them blinded lest the light of the glorious gospel should shine unto them. We must exercise authority in Christ and pray that the Devil be rebuked and that his strong holds are torn down.

(6) Pray perseveringly.

-Luke 18:7 “Shall not God avenge his own elect, who cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?”

-The word “Perseverance” means “Not giving up”. Many times, in the Word of God, men prayed for weeks and months before God would give them the victory.

### **Four facts that you should write in the back of your Bible**

(1) God wants you to go and he will bless you if you go.

-Matthew 28:19 “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost”

(2) God will empower you as you go.

-Acts 1:8 “But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me...”

(3) The Holy Ghost will convict them as you give them the gospel.

-John 16:8 “And when he is come, he will convict the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment”.

(4) Some soul is at stake and you can change the course of his or her destiny.

-James 5:20 “Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins”.

### **Final Notes:**

(1) You should always carry a Bible (That is your sword – Hebrews 4:12), your offensive weapon.

(2) You should always carry Gospel Tracts (This way you will have something to give in case you are unable to speak to them about the Lord.