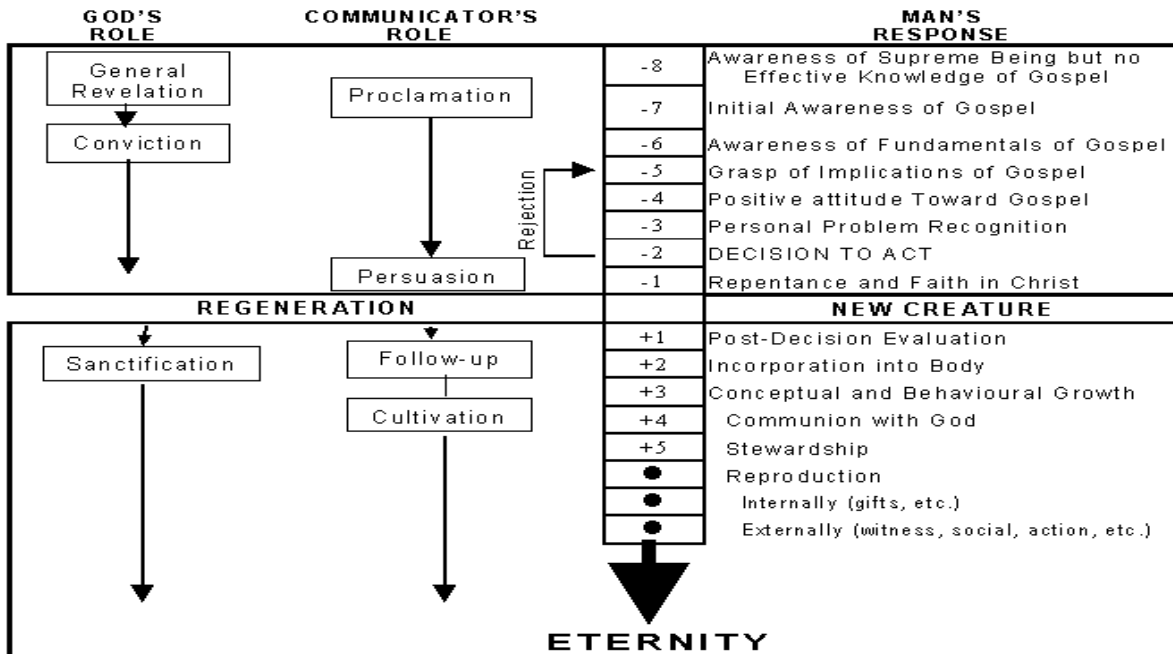


Gospel and Evangelism

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<i>Point</i>	<i>Scripture/Authority</i>
<p>GENERAL REVELATION AND CONVICTION</p> <p>God's eternal power and divine nature is clearly seen in creation.</p> <p>God has given us consciences to be able to tell right from wrong.</p>	<p>-- GOD DRAWS PEOPLE THROUGH GENERAL REVELATION AND CONVICTION --</p> <p>Romans 1:20. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.</p> <p>Romans 2:14-15. (Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law, since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing, now even defending them.)</p>
<p>PROCLAMATION</p> <p>Gospel is power of God for salvation by faith.</p> <p>Righteousness comes through faith in Jesus.</p>	<p>-- PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL IS OUR ROLE --</p> <p>Romans 1:16-17. I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."</p> <p>Romans 3:21-22. But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.</p>

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Faith comes from hearing the Gospel.	Romans 10:17. Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.
The Gospel is a truth that cannot be learned from nature. It must be told.	John Piper, <i>Desiring God</i> , at 61. Over against the terrifying news that we have fallen under the condemnation of our Creator and that He is bound by His own righteous character to preserve the worth of His glory by pouring out eternal wrath on our sin, there is the wonderful news of the gospel. This is a truth no one can ever learn from nature. It has to be told to neighbors and preached in churches and carried by missionaries.
Sharing the Gospel always has an impact on the hearer.	Isaiah 55:11. So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.
Sharing the Gospel gives us a full understanding of Christ.	Philemon 1:6. I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.
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Summary statement.	John 3:16. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
All have sinned.	Romans 3:23. [F]or all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
While we were sinners, Christ died for us.	Romans 5:6-8. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Sin yields condemnation and death; gift of God is eternal life in Christ.	Romans 6:23. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Embracing Christ by faith involves the mind and heart.	Romans 10:9, 10, 13. That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. . . . [F]or, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
Embracing Christ involves repentance of sin.	Acts 3:19. Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,