## **Outreach Ministry**

My Ministry of Reconciliation

#### **TEN COMMANDMENTS**

gth Commandment – You shall not bear false witness. Ask, "Have you ever told a lie (even as a kid)? What does that make you?" They will hesitate but get them to admit it "a liar". People don't get angry at this approach, instead they become sober. If they try to sidetrack you by saying "I don't believe in the Bible" simply continue your course. If they try to argue about the Bible just say, "I know you don't believe in it. I'm simply sharing with you what the Bible says, okay? Lets keep going."

8th Commandment – You shall not steal. "Have you ever stolen anything, regardless of its value?" (Some try to trivialize theft by saying I was a child). Then ASK, "What does that make you?" They will hesitate but get them to say "a Thief"

7<sup>th</sup> Commandment – You shall not commit adultery. Ask, "Have you ever committed adultery?" Again most will say "NO" then add "Jesus said whoever looks upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart." HAVE YOU EVER LOOKED AT SOMEONE WITH LUST?

ame of the Lord Your God in Vain. Ask, "Have you ever taken the Lord's name in vain?" (Even to express anger?) Most will admit to this one! THEN GENTLY explain, "so instead of a 4 letter filth word to express disgust, you have taken the name of the one who gave you life and everything

that is precious to you and used it to express disgust?" This is called "blasphemy" and God promises that He will NOT hold anyone blameless who takes His name in vain.

AT THIS POINT, you should <u>be</u> noticing something – they will either grow quiet (Rom. 3:19 – shut up under the law) OR they will be getting agitated. — If a person seems to recognize his guilt, say, "By your own admission, you're a lying, thief, a blasphemer and an adulterer at heart and we have only looked at 4 of 10 commandments". If he is <u>STILL</u> trying to defend himself, go through a few more commandments.

6<sup>th</sup> Commandment – You shall not murder.

"Have you ever murdered anyone?" Most people will respond "NO". Then say Jesus said, "that if you call your brother a fool, you are in danger of judgment – and the Bible says if you have ever HATED anyone, you are a murderer in God's eyes. God does not just judge actions, He knows the intentions of your heart."

1st Commandment - You shall have no other Gods before me. Ask, "Have you always put God 1st in your life?" God says He is supposed to be the primary love of our lives – love for others should pale in comparison.

2nd Commandment – You shall not make for yourself an idol. Ask, "Have you ever made an idol, a god, to suit yourself?" "Have you ever pursued money more that God? Then it is an idol. Have you given work more attention that God? Then work is an idol. If you think God is loving and

won't sent you to hell, you're correct. Your God wouldn't because **He doesn't exist.** - **He is a figment of your imagination!** You have created a God in your own mind that your are comfortable with and <u>that</u> is called **idolatry** This is the oldest sin in the book and God warns us that IDOLATERS <u>will not</u> inherit the Kingdom of God.

4<sup>th</sup> Commandment – Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it Holy. Ask, "Have you kept the Sabbath Holy?" God requires 1 day of 7 for you to REST and ACKNOWLEDGE Him and you have failed to give Him what He has commanded! Ask, "Do you bow your head and thank Him for your food or just greedily dig in without thanking your provider?"

5<sup>th</sup> Commandment – Honor your Father and your Mother. Ask, "Have you always honored them so as to please God.

10<sup>th</sup> Commandment – You shall not covet – anything that belongs to your neighbor.
Ask, "Have you jealously desired something that didn't belong to you?" This reveals a lack of GRATITUDE for what God HAS given you."

Step Five - On the Day of Judgment, IF God judges you according to the 10 commandments, will you be innocent or guilty?

If the individual has not yet begun to show signs of conviction, he will most likely begin to now.

MOST people will sense where you are going with the conversation and say "Innocent".

**BUT,** they MUST understand and <u>confess</u> their guilt if they are ever to come to Jesus.

#### Here is how to help them:

Them: "I'm a pretty good person".

You: You just told me you had broken God's commandments. By your own admission you are a liar, thief, an adulterer at heart, a murderer, and a blasphemer. Think about it. Will you be innocent or guilty?

Them: "But I haven't done those things for a long time".

You: "Imagine saying that in a court of law". "Judge I know I'm guilty but it has been years. He won't ignore your crime. He will see that justice is served and will punish you no matter how much time has elapsed. The courts punish war criminals from decades ago and God doesn't forget sin, no matter how long ago a person did it. "Do you think you will be innocent or guilty?"

Them: "but I have done more good than bad".

You: "Again, think of a court of law. If you have broken the law, you are guilty. It doesn't matter how many good deeds you've done when you are being tried for your crime. You have broken God's law." "Will you be innocent or guilty?"

Them: "But that's man's law. God is different"

You: "Yes, you're correct. God can never be bribed. And his standards are much higher that a human judge's. He loves justice and has promised that He will punish **not only** murders and rapists, but also liars, thieves, adulterers and blasphemers. YOU ARE IN BIG TROUBLE AREN'T YOU?"

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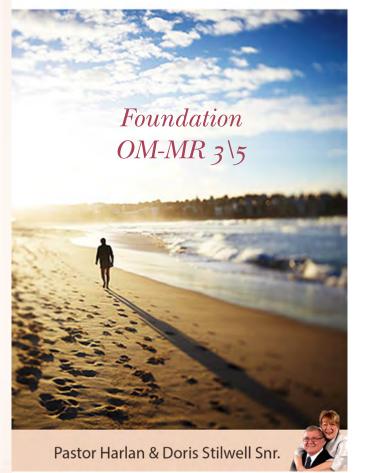


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BEING AWARE OF SIN WITHOUT REMORSE, IS NOT THE SAME AS BEING ALARMED OVER SIN. Your goal is to see them alarmed, for they should be --- they are in great danger.

Imagine a computer chip in you, recording just for one week, every thought that runs through your mind, every deed done, and every word coming out of your mouth. Then all your friends and family are called together and they are all displayed on a big screen. How would that make you feel? Embarrassed, ashamed? That is what God will do when He requires you to give an account for everything you have said and done in this life. You are in big trouble.

It's wonderful to get a confession of guilt, but if a person simply won't be honest and admit his guilt, at some point you may have to help him. Say if you would just be honest, you know you will be guilty before God. Besides, that is what the Bible says and if you claim to be innocent, you are calling God a liar."

# Step Six - DESTINY - WILL YOU GO TO HEAVEN OR HELL?

Gently, ask, "Do you think you will go to heaven or hell? People won't be offended, because you are simple asking a question, rather than telling them where they're going. Some will say "hell", but most will say, "Heaven". If they think they are going to heaven say:

<u>Imagine you are</u> standing in front of a judge, guilty of multiple serious crimes.

All the **evidenc**e has been presented and there is no doubt about your guilt. Your **apologies and good works** cannot erase your crimes; therefore you must be punished.

<u>The fine</u> for your crime is \$500,000 or imprisonment, but you don't have two pennies to rub together.

<u>The judge</u> is about to pass sentence when someone you don't even know steps in and pays your fine for you! <u>The court</u> accepts the money and <u>declares that you are free to go</u>.

<u>The law</u> has been <u>satisfied</u>, your <u>debt has</u> <u>been paid in full</u>, and the stranger's sacrifice was a <u>demonstration of his love for you.</u>

<u>That's what God did for you through Christ Jesus 2000 years ago.</u>

If they say that's mans justice, and that God's is different, <u>agree with him</u>. Say <u>God's justice is far stricter</u> than man's justice, and his standards are infinitely higher.

Don't be afraid to tell people that if they die in their sins, the Bible makes it clear that they will go to hell. Ask, "does that concern you?"

If they say it doesn't concern them or if you sense they are NOT humbled and don't recognize their need for God's forgiveness, if is very helpful to <u>describe what HELL is like</u> UNTIL they show signs of concern.