

**GRBC**  
**Core Seminars – Basics**  
**Two Ways To Live**  
**Week 6**

## Which Way?

*Two Ways To Live Purpose:*

- *To communicate the gospel concisely and accurately.*
- *To provide a catechism of the Christian faith*

### Practice Review

- Week 1 – God is the creator and ruler, and has appointed man as ruler of the world under Him
- Week 2 – We have rebelled against God and try to live our lives our own way
- Week 3 – God’s punishment for rebellion is death and judgment
- Week 4 – Because of God’s love, He sent Jesus to the world. Jesus lived in obedience to God and died as a substitute for our sins.
- Week 5 – God raised Jesus from the dead and He will one day judge the world. God also gives new life and sends His Spirit to live in believers.

Week 6—

### Which Way?

“Which way represents the way you want to live?”

#### 1. “My own way”

Ask questions such as:

*Us:* Really? **So you don’t believe Jesus rose from the dead?**

*Friend:* No

*Us:* **Who do you think Jesus was then?**

*Friend:* I think he was a very good man, but a misunderstood man.

*Us:* I see. **Well, have you read any portion of the New Testament lately?**

*Friend:* No

*Us:* Considering that I have spoken of some weighty matters, don’t you think you should examine the evidence for the sake of intellectual integrity? **I’d be happy to study the claims of Christ in the Bible with you.**

*Friend:* Can I think about it?

*Us:* Sure. **How about I’ll give you a call and we can get together.**

#### 2. “Not Sure”

- Look to see if there is an obstacle and work through that.
- “Is there something about the Gospel that you are not sure about?”
- Walk through cells and look up more Scripture
- Follow up accordingly.

#### 3. “God’s way, but not yet”

- Look first to see if there is an obstacle and work through that.
- If they are still unwilling to change, warn about delay and stress urgency.
- Look to meet again.

*Friend -* What you have said really makes sense to me, but between work and school, now just isn't the time.

*Us- Is there something confusing, or something you don't understand that's making you hesitant to commit?*

*Friend -* No, I'm just feeling too pressured by other circumstances.

*Us – Friend I’d like you to realize that there is an urgency attached to this message. In other words, there is a danger in delaying. God calls each one of us to repent and believe now.*

*Friend -* Sure I remember, but I just can't now—I guess I need to work through some things.

*Us – Well, how about if we get together for lunch in a couple weeks?*

*Friend* - That would be really good.

#### **4. "God's way"**

- Explain the importance of repentance and belief as a Christian.
- Explain the importance of understanding there is a cost (Luke 9:23-24)
- If you think it's appropriate pray for them- but don't repent for them!
- Arrange to meet with them again to learn more about Christ and being a Christian.
- Follow up! Christianity Explained, Just For Starters, encourage them to attend church, Membership Friends. Etc.

#### **5. "I'm already a Christian"**

Gently, ask questions such as:

*s:* **When did you make this change?**

*Friend:* I grew up going church.

*Us:* **How does it affect your life?**

*Friend:* In various ways.

*Us:* **If you died tonight are you certain you would go to heaven?**

*Friend:* Sure.

*Us:* **Well, I know a good Bible study that we can go over together. Let's go over it together.**

#### **Prayer**

- For boldness
- For opportunities
- For a love for the people around you
- For a deepening conviction of the Gospel
- For specific people

#### **Preparation**

- Study (evangelism class) – try the Christianity Explained or the Evangelism class
- Reading useful books
- Energetic talks with others
- Working out how we would answer basic questions (Apologetics class or the Worldviews Class)
- Be deliberate about spending time with non-Christians
- Memorize Two Ways to Live

#### **Persevere**

- Trust God for the results
- Use every opportunity
- Teach others
- Meet with others who will make a point of asking you about your evangelistic life

#### **Striking up a conversation**

1. Seize the moment – pray and be bold when opportunities happen
2. Garden – introduce God into your speech  
Ideas?