



Eagle Vision Partner Letter

“How to Win People”

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Dear Partner,

I pray that you had an enjoyable Easter and this letter finds you prospering and in good health.

According to **Proverbs 11:30**, The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise. The word *winneth* in the Hebrew means to buy, fetch, receive, take and seize. God is saying that *we should be seizing opportunities to win souls for him*. **1 Corinthians 9:19** says “For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain (win) the more.” The word *gain* is translated to *win* in the Greek. We have been commissioned to win people to the kingdom of God. Paul went on to teach us how to be skillful in witnessing to people in **1 Cor 9:20-22** ²⁰And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain (win) the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain (win) them that are under the law; ²¹ To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain (win) them that are without law. ²² To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain (win) the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.

Just like the Apostle Paul, we should share his passion for winning souls for the kingdom of God. Sometimes I think we forget that Hell is a real place (**Luke 16:19-31**) and that we Christians have been commissioned to evangelize (**Mark 16:15**). The word commission means the delegation of a responsible task to someone. Jesus gave a commission, not a suggestion!

We all know people that need Jesus and I thank God that He gives us insight on how we can successfully win them. Sometimes all it takes is listening to people and the voice of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will direct you and let you know how to lead them to Jesus. I've had the pleasure of leading over 50 people to Christ and one of the most effective ways that I've learned is to simply relate to people. No matter how long we've been saved, we cannot afford to forget how to relate well with people. According to **Romans 12:16** Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Webster defines condescend as being gracious to inferior persons. We should be graciously winning the world with the fruit of love.

Let's not forget, as Christians, we are to demonstrate love as a witness for our Lord and Savior. I realize that it's hard to love some people, but in the end it will be well worth it. One of the greatest feelings I've ever experienced wasn't the high from drugs or alcohol, but the overwhelming joy that comes from winning people to Jesus. **Matthew 4:19** quotes Jesus “And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” In other words,

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Jesus is saying that He'll teach you how to **attract** and **win** people. I don't believe God's people will lack anything if we just focus our energy on walking in love and winning people to God.

We are to sell the gospel of Jesus Christ and any good salesperson knows their product. The gospel means good news. We should represent Jesus in the earth in a way that anyone that we come in contact with would desire what we have. The gospel is the most stable business in the world. As long as there are sinners and people with needs, we always have prospects. Our product *can* be imitated, but never duplicated. Jesus said "... I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (**John 14:6**).

And when it comes to closing, remember that the benefits are eternal life, covenant rights to peace, healing, safety, deliverance, prosperity, a more stable life, a clear conscience and being blessed exceedingly abundantly above all that you can ask or think. How can you loose? The consequences of not accepting Jesus is eternity in hell, a miserable life on the earth, never finding true happiness, no peace, fear, unforgiveness and never being totally satisfied.

So remember, we can confidently win souls for Christ by applying the following four steps:

1. Being a good listener to people and the Holy Spirit (**James 4:19**)
2. Confidently knowing your product (Jesus & His Word)
3. Being able to relate to people
4. Walking in Love

Romans 10:13 says that for whosoever shall call upon that name of the Lord shall be saved. If you are a whosoever, then you qualify. Pray this prayer with me:

I believe in my heart that Jesus died and was raised from the dead for my sins. I repent from all of my sins. Now I ask you Jesus to come into my life and make me new. Take my life and use me for Your glory. Help, me to make any necessary changes and I will serve you all my days. In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

If you prayed that prayer, congratulations and welcome to the kingdom of God! Be sure to attend a good church where you can feel the love of God, be taught the Word of God and experience the power of God. We trust that your life will never be the same. Feel free to share this letter with others and you are always invited to join us for any of our services.

In His Service,

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