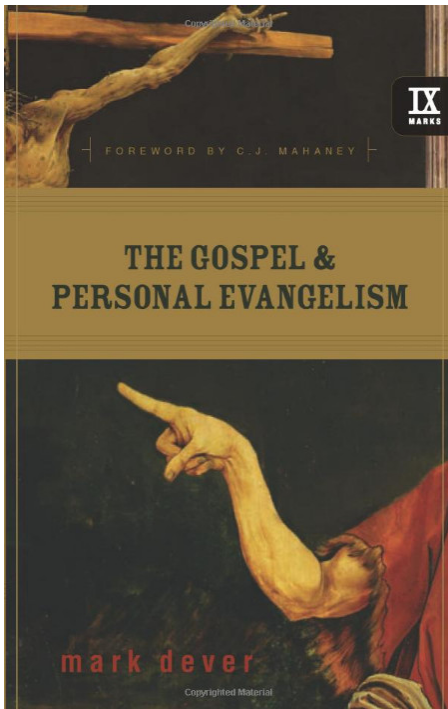


## book of the month *The Gospel and Personal Evangelism – Mark Dever*



It doesn't require much effort to discover the myriad of directions in which the church is being pulled nowadays. Many well-meaning but misguided Christians, philanthropic organizations, and trendy cultural movements are calling the church away from Jesus' singular mission for God's people – making disciples of all nations (Matt. 28:18-20). This one wonderful and great commission was undertaken by the first disciples and is continued by faithful churches today.

Have you considered recently the extraordinary way that the gospel eventually made its way from Jerusalem to Tempe, AZ or to you personally? Obviously, evangelism is indispensable to God's plan to create God-fearing, faithful imitators of Jesus all around the globe. Evangelism is the first step on the long road to God's throne where every tribe and language and people

and nation worship the Lamb forever (Rev. 5:9-10). And every Christian has the incredible opportunity (and obligation!) to participate in what God is doing around the globe through the church with the gospel for His own namesake. *The Gospel and Personal Evangelism* is a short book that we pray will remind you of this amazing opportunity. In it, Mark Dever clearly explains the gospel message, explores common reasons why we don't evangelize and why we should, how to do evangelism, and much more. Wherever you might find yourself in your acquaintance with this practice, this book can help. May the Lord, in His kindness, use this resource to enflame our passion for a practice that brought us the everlasting hope on which we believed not so long ago.

- **Omri Miles**

### **Suggested One-Month Reading Plan: (less than 4 pages per day)**

#### **Week 1: September 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>**

Foreword – 2 pages  
Introduction – 6 pages  
Why *Don't* We Evangelize? – 11 pages

#### **Week 2: September 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>**

Who Should Evangelize? – 10 pages  
What Is the Gospel? – 13 pages  
How Should We Evangelize? – 14 pages

#### **Week 3: September 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>**

What *Isn't* Evangelism? – 14 pages  
What Should We Do *After* We Evangelize? – 22 pages

#### **Week 4: September 25<sup>th</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>**

Why Should We Evangelize? – 12 pages  
Conclusion – 6 pages  
Appendix: A Word to Pastors – 6 pages

### **MORE RECOMMENDED RESOURCES**

*These resources are helpful in clarifying the singular mission of the church and the role that gospel proclamation plays in it.*

1. Smedly's series on Missions (<http://www.gbcaz.org/series/missions/>)
2. A six-part blog post series: "What is the Mission of Missions?" by Joel James (<http://www.expositors.org/resources/the-expositors-blog/what-is-the-mission-of-missions-part-1/>)
3. 2015 Ekklesia Conference sermons (<http://www.gibcjupiter.org/media/?SeriesID=188>)