Why Do We Spread the Gospel?

Because of (2 Corinthians 4-5):

- The mercy that we received
- The treasure that we contain
- The faith that we know
- The fear we have for them

To Whom Do We Proclaim the Favorable Year of the Lord?

Luke 4:18 – 19

- To the spiritually poor
- To slaves of sin
- To the spiritually blind
- To those stricken by the world's problems

How Do We Develop These Communication Skills?

- Matthew 12:34, Luke 6:45 "The mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart"
- Ephesians 6:20 "Pray on my behalf ... that I may speak boldly"
- 2 Corinthians 4:13 "We also believe, therefore also we speak."

Practical Suggestions

- Read the Bible at least 30 minutes per day
- Pray at least 30 minutes every day
- Read background books, not commentaries
- Get as excited about a baptism as about a game-winning goal.

Practical Suggestions

- Learn how others think. We tend to ascribe to others our own motives, which are rarely true.
- · Listen twice as much as you speak.
- Ask questions. Let them read your opinion in the Word.

Practical Suggestions

Talk about that the Bible is:

- Interesting
- Simple
- Useful
- · Well attested