



## *Essential Evangelization*

### **Evangelization - What Is It?**

The word, so little understood by us as Catholic Christians, means calling others (your family, friends, work associates, neighbors) to follow Jesus as you do. We do it in some very simple ways – by listening to others and sharing their concerns.

Evangelization is not going door-to-door with a bible to call others to Jesus, but a positive set of interactions with those in which we normally associate. Others will discover Jesus by the way we interact with them, our family, friends, coworkers and neighbors.

We evangelize whenever we invite others to join us in sharing our faith such as at weekend liturgy. We evangelize whenever we reach out to the alienated, disinterested or unchurched\ unpracticing Catholic in our Canton community by encouraging them to come back home to our Christian community. Just as Jesus called Zacchaeus from his tree perch, had a conversation with the woman at the well and actually reached out and touched those with leprosy, we have plenty of similar encounters and evangelization opportunities in our own daily lives. We are called by Jesus to share our treasured faith with others.

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