



AMAZON OUTREACH

EVANGELISM HANDBOOK

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

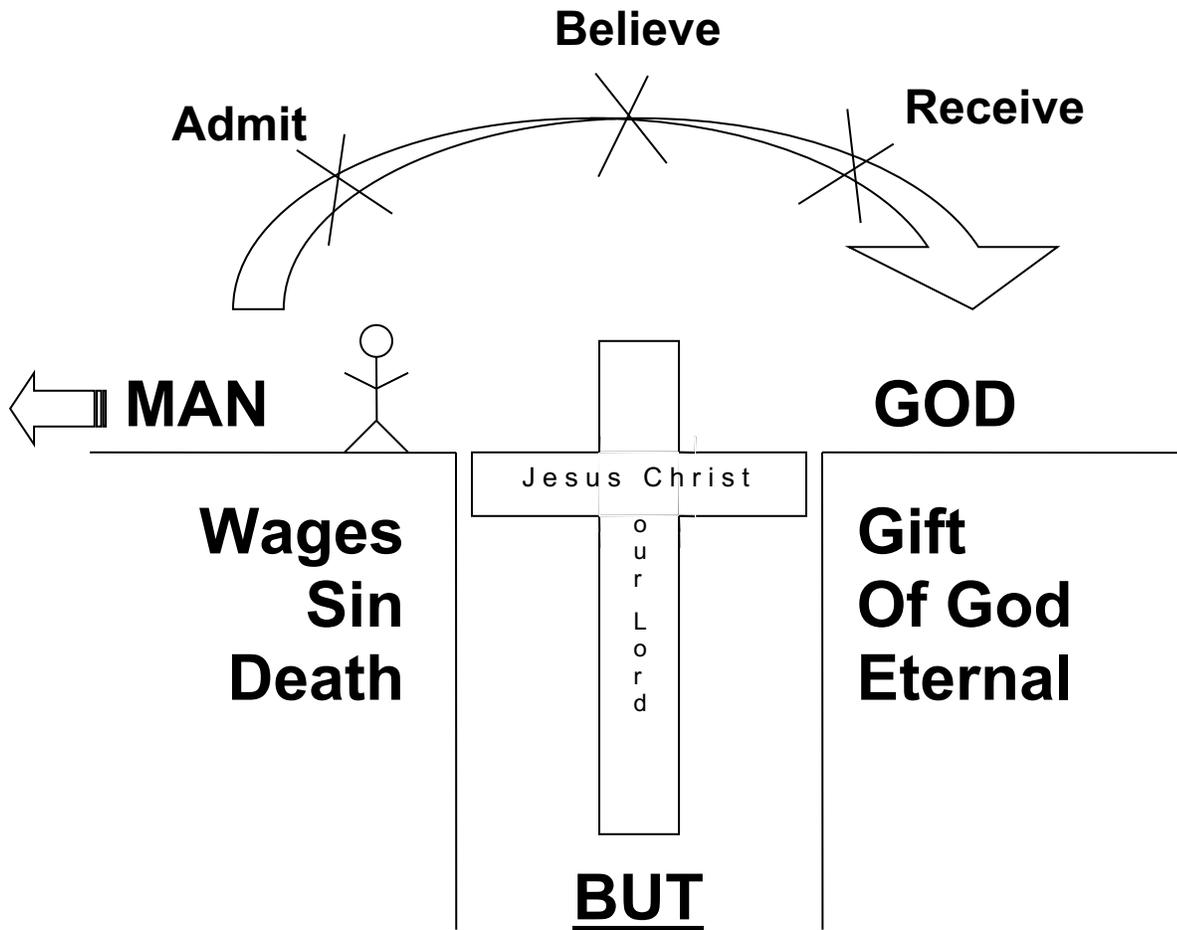
Act 1:8

EVANGELISM/PRAAYER

ONE VERSE EVANGELISM

Romans 6:23

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”



***The key to the “Bridge Diagram” is to draw the cliff first, with MAN and GOD, and then fill in the rest with the words, then the cross, and then the arrow as you go along.

1. Wages

“How would you define wages?”

“How would you feel if your boss didn’t pay you what you deserved?”

***Point out that we have earned wages from God for how we live our lives.

2. Sin

“How would you define sin?”

“How would a person have to live in order to get to heaven?”

“Have you always lived a life as you just described?”

***Point out that sin is an attitude of independence and ignoring God. Explain how sin has separated us from God. (Explain using the “cliff” in the picture).

3. Death

“What thoughts come to mind when you think about death?”

***Point out that the sin that separates us from God will extend even into eternity if unaltered. This is eternal death or what the Bible describes as Hell.

4. BUT

***Point: This is a very important word because it indicates that there is hope for us. Up until this point the message is bad news. Now we turn our attention to the good news!

5. Gift

***Point: From now on, be sure and point out the contrast between the words opposite each other in the diagram (i.e., wages and gift, sin and God, etc.).

***Point out that while some people try to earn God’s favor with religious deeds, good morals, ethics, etc., it is impossible to earn the gift that God has already purchased for us.

6. Of God

***Point: Explain that all of us have sinned, but God alone is perfect. It is this sin, which makes a relationship with God impossible on our own. The good news is this: God wants to give you a gift!

7. Eternal Life

***Point: In contrast to the wages of death, which we deserve, the free gift of God is eternal life. It can only come from God...we cannot earn it.

8. Jesus Christ

***Point: At this stage, draw a cross between the two cliffs. This is the “bridge to life.” Jesus is the means by which we obtain eternal life. By dying on the cross he bore the penalty for the sins, which we should have received. Thus, He has purchased eternal life for us.

9. Our Lord

***Point: Jesus is not only our Savior who dies for our sins, but the Lord and Master of our life whom we obey when we:

ADMIT our sin. We confess that we have ignored God and offended Him in thought, word, and deed.

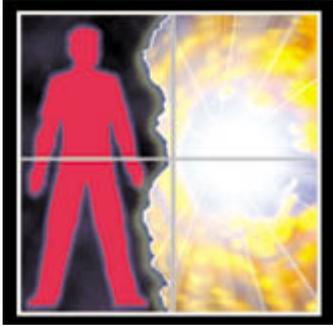
BELIEVE that Jesus Christ died to forgive us completely of our sins so that God treats us as if we were perfect, just like Christ.

*RECEIVE Jesus Christ personally into our lives. Just as a gift is not truly yours until you receive it, so Christ must be received by us to have a relationship with Him.

*Another word that can be used in place of RECEIVE, is COMMIT. Same meaning, but it goes well with the “ABC” effect of becoming a Christian.

(Based on “One Verse Evangelism” by Randy Raysbrook, Discipleship Journal).

EVANGECUBE™ INSTRUCTION SHEET



Man in Sin is separated from God

The figure on the left represents every person – like you and me. The darkness represents our sin. Sin is anything that God tells us not to do.

The Bible says, “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” (Romans 3:23)

Our sins separate us from God.

The heavenly radiance on the right represents God. God is perfect and without sin. God loves us. God does not want us to perish, but to have everlasting life.

But, our sins must be removed in order to have eternal life with God.



Christ on the Cross

God loved us so much that He sent His only Son Jesus Christ to earth as a man. God made Jesus die on a cross to pay for our sins with His blood. He took our sins into His body on the cross so that we could come to God. (I Peter 2:24, 3:18)

The Bible says, “God demonstrates His own love for us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8)

The Bible also says that, “God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son (Jesus), that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16)



The Tomb

Men buried Jesus in a tomb.
They rolled a huge stone in front of it.
The soldiers guarded the tomb.



Christ is Risen!

God sent an angel to roll away the huge stone and to scare away the soldiers.

God raised Jesus from the dead!

Soon afterward, God took Jesus back to heaven

Jesus has paid the price for our sins, and Jesus has conquered death.



The Cross is the Bridge to God

Jesus is the only way we can come to God. Jesus says in the Bible, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father (God) except through Me." (John 14:6)

Through Jesus, we can be forgiven of all our sins and be with God forever. But just knowing about these things is not enough! We must choose to put our faith in Jesus - to trust in Him to save us from sin.

If you do not take the step of trusting in Jesus, then your sins are not removed! (Hebrews 4:2)



The Choices: Heaven & Hell

The Bible says that whoever believes in Jesus has eternal life and is not judged. But whoever does not believe in Jesus has been judged already and the wrath of God remains upon him! (John 3:16, 18, 36)

The penalty for sin is death, but eternal life through Jesus is a free gift from God.

What choice will you make?

Trust in Jesus Christ to be forgiven and have eternal life?
(In Heaven – top panel)

Or reject Jesus Christ and suffer eternal punishment in fire?
(In Hell – bottom panel)



OPTIONAL STEP – Show Man Crossing the Bridge to God

Jesus also said, “whoever hears my Word and believes God who sent Me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life!”

(Move your finger up the ‘cross bridge’ into the light, to indicate ‘crossing over from death to life.’)

Steps for the Followers of Christ



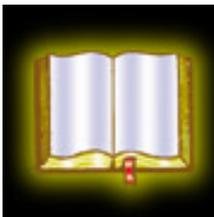
Love God and all people

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and foremost commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 22:36-40)



Pray to God constantly

In prayer you can thank and worship God, ask for His help, confess your sins, and pray for others. “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.”



Study the Bible (God's Word) Daily

Start with the Gospel of John; read 1 chapter each day. “Like newborn babes, long for the pure milk of the word, that by it you may grow in respect to salvation...” (I Peter 2:2) “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word” Jesus in (John 14:23)



Meet regularly with other Christians

God commands that Christians meet regularly for worship, prayer, Bible Study, and helping each other. “...not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another...” (Hebrews 10:25)



Tell others the good news about Jesus

God wants us to tell other people How to Have Eternal Life with God by trusting in Jesus to save them from sin. You can use the EvangeCube and the information from this website to talk to others about Jesus! “And He (Jesus) said to them. Go into the world, and preach the gospel to all creation.” (Mark 16:15)

THE WORDLESS BOOK STORY

Have you ever seen a book without words or pictures? This book of colored pages tells a wonderful story from the Bible. The story is about the true and living God who made the world and everything in it. Each color reminds me of a part of that story. Sometimes I like to peek at the end of a book first to see if it has a sad or happy ending. Let's look at the last page first! It tells us that in Heaven the streets (paths) are made of gold. God tells us that no one is ever sick there, and no one dies. Heaven is a real place. The most wonderful thing about Heaven is that God and Jesus are there. God loves us so much He wants us to be a part of His family and be with Him in Heaven someday!

What a special place heaven is! It is perfect because God is perfect, but there is one thing that can never be in Heaven. That one thing is sin. The black page reminds us of our sin. Anything that does not please God is sin. Sin is disobeying the rules God has given in the Bible. Sin causes sadness in the world. (Name some sins they relate to.) We have all sinned. "All" means every one of us – you and me. Sin separates us from God. God cannot allow sin where He is. God said sin must be punished. God knew there was nothing we could do to get rid of our sins, but God loved us so much He made a way for us to be forgiven.

The red page shows us the way. God loved us so much He sent His own Son, Jesus, to earth from heaven. He was born as a tiny baby. He grew up and became a man. Jesus was different from any other person who ever lived on earth. He was perfect. He never did even one wrong thing. But one day men put a crown of thorns on His head and nailed Jesus to a cross. While He hung there on the cross, all our sins were put on Him. Nailed to the cross by His hands and His feet, blood poured out. Jesus took our punishment and died on that cross for our sins. He was put in a tomb. After three days a most wonderful thing happened. God gave Jesus life again! He raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus is our living Savior. He wants to save you from your sins.

The white page reminds me that you can be made dean from your sins. (John 3 16) God loves you! You do not have to be separated from God. If you believe in Jesus, He will give you everlasting life. That's the thing you need to live in Heaven. Jesus will forgive your sins and always be with you. Just tell Him you have sinned and that you trust Him to forgive you. You will then have eternal life. God promises, "I will never leave you." God loves us and wants us to go to Heaven when we die.

The green page reminds me of growing. We need to read the Bible and pray. We need to love others and tell them about God's love. What a great message in a book without words!

EVANGELISM OUTLINE USING THE EVANGECUBE

By Robert Rea

The Brazilians in the villages are very interested in listening to the Americans. I call it “Easy Evangelism.” Of course it is easy because God has already prepared the way...and it’s not about us, it’s about letting the Holy Spirit use us for the “Divine Appointments” that HE has set up.

I pray that God uses you as you make yourself available to Him to reach the many, many lost souls in the world. Below is the general conversation that I use when using the EvangeCube to tell the most beautiful story in the Bible.

Remember:

“God can use your witness, but He cannot use your silence”.

“Salvation is the work of the Holy Spirit. Sharing His work is the work of every Christian.”

Success in witnessing is:

1. Living out my Christian life
2. Sharing the Gospel
3. Trusting God for the results

Success is NOT bringing someone to Christ! Success is making yourself available so God can use you. He may just have you plant a seed. Statistically it’s not until the 7th time that a person hears the Gospel before they accept Christ, at least in America. In the Third World it doesn’t take as many times. Many folks come to Jesus the first time they hear the Gospel.

This is how I share the Gospel using the EvangeCube and other illustrations. It goes something like this:

Ask the question, “If you died today do you know where you would go?” If I died today I have no doubt where I would go. I know for certain where I would go because of what the Bible says.

“Would you mind if I shared with you a beautiful story in the Bible that may help you know where you would go when you die?”

The Bible says that God loves us and longs for us to spend eternity with Him in Heaven. The Bible also says that we are separated from God because of the sin in our lives. The light here (point to the EvangeCube) represents God. The man represents all of us. The blackness around the man represents the sin in all of us.

Are you without sin? Are you perfect? Of course not, we all have sin in our lives. (You have to take them to their SIN first). So, we have a problem, God loves us and wants us to spend eternity with Him in Heaven, but our sin prevents us from getting into Heaven because Heaven is a perfect place without sin.

But the God who created the Heavens, the Earth, the Sun, the Moon, the Stars and the Amazon River is very smart and He has an answer for our problem. God knows that if He came to us in His form or the form of a light similar to what is illustrated here on this cube we would probably run away and be afraid. I know I would!

Think of it this way.....imagine a flock of birds here on the ground. If I walk up to them what would they do? Well because I'm so big they would fly away. BUT if another bird (this is where I raise my fingers above my head and bend down as if my fingers were a bird flying down to meet the other birds) flew down to them would they fly away? No! Because He was one of them, they would stay.

THAT IS WHAT GOD DID! He sent His son, Jesus, in the form of a man to come to Earth with God's message of eternal life. (I do the exact same thing with my fingers above my head and bringing them down to the ground...same path as the birds).

When Jesus walked the Earth, He did many things. The Bible says He healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, and raised the dead. He did many miracles, but Jesus also did something that NO man had ever done before. He said "I" can forgive you of your sins! NO man had ever said that before. The religious men were angry with Jesus. They said, "How can you forgive men of their sins? Only God can forgive men of their sins." Jesus said to the religious men, "My Father in Heaven has sent me and He and I are one. He has given me the power to forgive men of their sins. He who believes in me will be forgiven for their sins and have eternal life in Heaven."

(Then I go to the scene on the EvangeCube showing Jesus hanging on the cross)
The religious men schemed and had Jesus hung on a cross and crucified. The Bible says that when Jesus hung on that cross ALL THE SINS OF THE WORLD CAME UPON HIM.....your sins, my sins.....ALL the sins of the world. It was so much sin that the Bible says that even God turned away. Then Jesus died.

(Next scene.....the tomb)
The Bible says that after Jesus died they buried him in a tomb and had Roman soldiers guard the tomb. Those that followed Jesus, his disciples, were sad and confused. "If Jesus was the Son of God then how could He have died? Why didn't He save Himself?" Perhaps He wasn't who He said He was. Perhaps it was all a lie.

Then on the third day..... a miracle happened.....to prove He WAS the Son of God and to prove that what HE said was TRUE.....JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD!

(Next scene.....Jesus rises from the dead. Open the cube very slowly to this scene for effect.)
And He now sits at the right hand of God in Heaven!

(Next scene.....Jesus is the Bridge to Heaven)
The Bible says that Jesus is the road to Heaven. Jesus spoke these words in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father except through Me." Jesus is the ONLY way to Heaven.

(Next scene.....Jesus' hand reaching down from Heaven)
Jesus CAN forgive you of your sins. The Bible says that if you put your FAITH and TRUST in Jesus you will spend eternity in Heaven.

Right now I believe that this is a "Divine Appointment". It is absolutely no coincidence that God is using me to share this true story with you. God is talking to you right now and asking you if you will accept His free gift of eternal life. Right now Jesus is reaching down from Heaven and asking you to take His hand and accept God's free gift of eternal life. (You can also reach out your hand towards the person or persons you are sharing with. This is great symbolism).

Each person must make their own decision. God doesn't force people to accept His free gift. Unfortunately, the Bible says that those that refuse His gift spend eternity in Hell with "Fire and gnashing teeth."

It is simple to accept God's free gift of eternal life if you can say yes to these five things. Don't answer verbally to these questions? It's between you and God. Talk to God in your mind and answer him.

(Five finger evangelism)

1. (baby finger) Do you believe you are a sinner? Yes or No?
2. (ring finger) Do you believe in God? Yes or No?
3. (middle finger) Do you believe God sent His son Jesus down to earth to die on a cross for YOUR very own sins and that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive and sits at the right hand of God in Heaven? Yes or NO?
4. (fore finger) Do you want forgiveness of your sins and put your FAITH and TRUST in Jesus right now? Yes or No?
5. (thumb) Do you accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior? Yes or No?

It really comes down to one simple question. Do you want to repent of your sins, put your faith and trust in Jesus Christ, and accept Jesus as Lord in your life? Yes or No? (pause...be silent...let the Holy Spirit work)

If they say yes, then do the five finger evangelism again and have them answer verbally. If they say yes to each question then you say, "Let's say a prayer of thanks!" (They have just been saved!!!)

"Dear God, I know that I am a sinner, I believe in you God, I believe that you sent your son Jesus from Heaven to Earth to die on a cross for MY sins. I believe that Jesus rose from the dead and now sits at your right hand in Heaven. God, I ask you to forgive me of my sins and RIGHT NOW I put my FAITH AND TRUST in Jesus. Right now God I accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Thank you for your free gift of eternal life. Amen.

Then I tell them that they are in the hand of God. (Fold one hand over the fist of the other) The Bible says that nothing, nothing can take them OUT of the hand of God...NOTHING! (John 10:28-29) ALL of their sins are forgiven...past, present, and future sins. I tell them, "Isn't that beautiful?" I also tell them that the Bible says that Angels in Heaven are singing right now just for them, rejoicing that they will spend eternity in Heaven.

(Turn to the back of the EvangeCube)

Then I talk about walking as straight a line with Jesus as they can. If Jesus' walk was perfectly straight (use your arm and make it straight in front of you) then my walk at first was very wavy (sway your arm back and forth to show how you strayed from the straight path). This is how to have our path closer to the way Christ walked. As you practice these things then your path will not stray as far from Jesus' as it did when you first believed. Pray every day, read the Bible, go to

church to fellowship with other believers, and most importantly tell others about God's free gift of eternal life.

Then I give them a big HUG!

That's most of it. I'm sure I left out some parts but it gives you a good feel for it. You know the beautiful story of Jesus. Use the EvangeCube to tell the story about Jesus as you know it. **Tell it from you heart**...just like the first century apostles did after Jesus ascended into Heaven. Remember let the Holy Spirit speak through you.

It's all about Jesus!

All for Jesus, Matthew 28:19-20

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BIBLE VERSES FOR EVANGELISM

(If you copy these verses and tape them in the back cover of your Bible you will always have a quick reference to verses to use as you present the Gospel)

John 1:12- But as many as received...

John 3:16- For God so loved...

John 5:24- Hears, believes...has passed from.

John 6:29- 35- Jesus is the bread of life

John 6:40- For this is the will of God...

Romans 5:8- But God demonstrates His own love for us, in that while we were still...

Romans 5:19- through one man's disobedience...

Romans 3:28- justified by faith...

Romans 6:23- For the wages of sin...

Romans 3:23- For all have sinned...

Eph. 2:8-9- For by faith you have been saved...

I John 5:13- These things have been written...will know

I John 3:17-18- Deeds

BIBLE VERSES FOR EVANGELISM ENGLISH AND PORTUGUESE

Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
Romanos 3:23 pois todos pecaram e estão destituídos da glória de Deus,

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romanos 6:23 Pois o salário do pecado é a morte, mas o dom gratuito de Deus é a vida eterna em Cristo Jesus nosso Senhor.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romanos 5:8 Mas Deus demonstra seu amor por nós pelo fato de Cristo ter morrido em nosso favor quando ainda éramos pecadores.

Ephesians 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Efésios 2:8 Pois vocês são salvos pela graça, por meio da fé, e isto não vem de vocês, é dom de Deus; ⁹não por obras, para que ninguém se glorie.

John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

João 1:12 Contudo, aos que a receberam, aos que creram em seu nome, deu-lhes o direito de se tornarem filhos de Deus,

Romans 10:9 That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Romanos 10:9 Se você confessar com a sua boca que Jesus é Senhor e crer em seu coração que Deus o ressuscitou dentre os mortos, será salvo.

¹⁰Pois com o coração se crê para justiça, e com a boca se confessa para salvação.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

João 3:16 "Pois Deus tanto amou o mundo que deu o seu Filho Unigênito para que todo o que nele crer não pereça, mas tenha a vida eterna.

John 6:40 And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

João 6:40 Porque a vontade de meu Pai é que todo o que olhar para o Filho e nele crer tenha a vida eterna, e eu o ressuscitarei no último dia".

John 6:47 Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.

João 6:47 Asseguro-lhes que aquele que crê tem a vida eterna.

John 6:29-35 Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent." ³⁰Therefore they said to Him, "What sign will You perform then, that we

may see it and believe You? What work will You do? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the desert; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴Then they said to Him, "Lord, give us this bread always." ³⁵And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

João 6:29-35 Jesus respondeu: "A obra de Deus é esta: crer naquele que ele enviou". ³⁰Então lhe perguntaram: "Que sinal miraculoso mostrarás para que o vejamos e creiamos em ti? Que farás? ³¹Os nossos antepassados comeram o maná no deserto; como está escrito: 'Ele lhes deu a comer pão do céu' ". ³²Jesus lhes disse: "Digo-lhes a verdade: Não foi Moisés quem lhes deu pão do céu, mas é meu Pai quem lhes dá o verdadeiro pão do céu. ³³Pois o pão de Deus é aquele que desceu do céu e dá vida ao mundo". ³⁴Disseram eles: "Senhor, dá-nos sempre desse pão!" ³⁵Então Jesus declarou: "Eu sou o pão da vida. Aquele que vem a mim nunca terá fome; aquele que crê em mim nunca terá sede.

John 6:28-29 ²⁸Then they said to Him, "What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?"

²⁹Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent."

João 6:28-29 ²⁸Então lhe perguntaram: "O que precisamos fazer para realizar as obras que Deus requer?" ²⁹Jesus respondeu: "A obra de Deus é esta: crer naquele que ele enviou".

Luke 23:39-43 ³⁹Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." ⁴⁰But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." ⁴³And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

Lucas 23:39-43 ³⁹Um dos criminosos que ali estava dependurado lançava-lhe insultos: "Você não é o Cristo? Salve-se a si mesmo e a nós!" ⁴⁰Mas o outro criminoso o repreendeu, dizendo: "Você não teme a Deus, nem estando sob a mesma sentença? ⁴¹Nós estamos sendo punidos com justiça, porque estamos recebendo o que os nossos atos merecem. Mas este homem não cometeu nenhum mal". ⁴²Então ele disse: "Jesus, lembra-te de mim quando entrares no teu Reino".* ⁴³Jesus lhe respondeu: "Eu lhe garanto: Hoje você estará comigo no paraíso".

John 10:28-30 ²⁸And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. ³⁰I and My Father are one."

João 10:28-30 ²⁸Eu lhes dou a vida eterna, e elas jamais perecerão; ninguém as poderá arrancar da minha mão. ²⁹Meu Pai, que as deu para mim, é maior do que todos; ninguém as pode arrancar da mão de meu Pai.

³⁰Eu e o Pai somos um".

John 5:24 *Life and Judgment Are Through the Son*

²⁴ "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.

João 5:24 ²⁴"Eu lhes asseguro: Quem ouve a minha palavra e crê naquele que me enviou, tem a vida eterna e não será condenado, mas já passou da morte para a vida.

1 John 5:13 ¹³These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

1 João 5:13 ¹³Escrevi-lhes estas coisas, a vocês que crêem no nome do Filho de Deus, para que vocês saibam que têm a vida eterna.

1 John 3:17 ¹⁷But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?

¹⁸My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

1 João 3:17 ¹⁷Se alguém tiver recursos materiais e, vendo seu irmão em necessidade não se compadecer dele, como pode permanecer nele o amor de Deus?

¹⁸ Filhinhos, não amemos de palavra nem de boca, mas em ação e em verdade

