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PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE

CONTAGOUS CHRISTIAN

Communicating Your Faith in a Style That Fits You

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SESSION

THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A CONTAGIOUS CHRISTIAN

Who Is Jesus?



DVD: Who Is Jesus?

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Ⅲ The Goal of This Course

To prepare us to be contagious Christians who are active in leading others to Christ.

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost (Luke 19:10).

As the Father has sent me, I am sending you (John 20:21).

You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8).

III The Benefits of Becoming a Contagious Christian



DVD: Stories of Contagious Christians

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When we help people find the forgiveness and leadership of Jesus, what are the benefits to us, to others, and to God?

Write down a few responses to each of these three areas of benefits.

■ To us?

■ To others?

■ To God?



The Problem of Perceptions

Evangelism						
Negative	Positive					

Ⅲ Components of Contagious Christianity

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It flows out of	
It's built on relationships.	
It's expressed in both actions and	-
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And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? (Romans 10:14, NLT).

It is a process.

My job was to plant the seed in your hearts, and Apollos watered it, but it was God, not we, who made it grow (1 Corinthians 3:6, NLT).

It's always a partnership.

Who is Apollos, and who is Paul, that we should be the cause of such quarrels? Why, we're only servants. Through us God caused you to believe. Each of us did the work the Lord gave us (1 Corinthians 3:5, NLT).

A person's coming to Christ is like a chain with many links.... There are many influences and conversations that precede a person's decision to convert to Christ. I know the joy of being the first link at times, a middle link usually, and occasionally the last link. God has not called me to only be the last link.*

CLIFFE KNECHTLE, author, speaker, and evangelist

^{*}Cliffe Knechtle, Give Me an Answer, InterVarsity Press, 1986.



Individual Activity: Begin a Prayer List and an Impact List

Turn to the last page and the inside back cover.



Groups: Praying for the People on Your Impact List

Directions

- 1. Pair up with someone near you, introduce yourselves if you don't already know each other, and share the first name of the person you wrote down on your *Impact List*, and what your relationship to them is (coworker, sister, brother-in-law, spouse, neighbor, parent, etc.).
- 2. Take a few minutes to pray together for the people you've both mentioned. To help you know how to pray, follow the simple prayer guide on the right side of the *Prayer List* on the last page of your Participant's Guide.

Recommended Reading

Read chapters 1–3 of the companion book for this course, also called *Becoming a Contagious Christian*. These chapters are filled with additional information and exciting real-life stories.

