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1) Preach the Kerygma

- The basic Gospel message must always be preached:
 - God made us to be sons and daughters.
 - We abandoned that sonship through our sin.
 - Jesus Christ came, died, and rose to give us His Sonship.
 - We accept that Sonship through the Church He established.
- Everything we teach can (and must) point back to the Cross

2) Build Testimony into Everything

- Every teacher must also be a witness of Christ and prepared to tell their story of why they are Christian. (1 Peter 3:15)
- A testimony can be given in 3-5 min:
 - What life was before Christ.
 - Your encounter with Christ.
 - How you continue to foster that encounter with Christ.

3) Use the Evangelical Language of the Popes

- “Modern man listens more readily to **witnesses** than to teachers and to teachers only if they are witnesses.” -St. Pope Paul VI
- “Conversion is a personal acceptance of the **Sovereign Lordship** of Jesus Christ.” -Pope St. John Paul II

4) Saturate Everything in Sacred Scripture

- Scripture is the way we hear God’s voice and we *must* **pray it daily**.

5) Establish a Clear Path to Discipleship

- The path of a Christian is as simple as Win - Build - Send:
 - Win- Lead the person to prayer and conversion.
 - Build- Grow the person’s prayer and knowledge of the faith.
 - Send- Give the person tools to evangelize others.
- Analyze parish programs and ask if you are covering all these areas.

Intercessory Prayer Team

Ask the parish to commit to prayer once per day/week for parish evangelization. Nothing is more powerful than a parish family motivated to pray together.