

“Outreach - Finding An Approach That Fits”

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Colossians 4:5-6

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Introduction:

- A. Some _____ are certainly _____ than others.
B. Reaching out to the lost is our glorious _____ and privileged
_____ (Mt. 28:19-20; Mk. 16:15-16; Acts 1:8)

I. The _____ Approach

II. The _____ Approach

III. The _____ Approach

IV. The _____ Approach

V. The _____ Approach

VI. The _____ Approach

Conclusion:

“I stay near the door. I neither go too far in, nor stay too far out. The door is the most important door in the world - It is the door through which people walk when they find God. There’s no use my going way inside, and staying there, when so many are still outside and they, as much as I, crave to know where the door is.

And all that so many ever find is only the wall where a door ought to be. They creep along the wall like blind people, with outstretched, groping hands, feeling for a door, knowing there must be a door, yet they never find it...So I stay near the door.

The most tremendous thing in the world is for people to find that door - the door of God. The most important thing anyone can do is to take hold of one of those blind, groping hands and to put it on the latch - the latch that only clicks and opens to the person’s own touch.

People die outside that door, as starving beggars die on cold nights in cruel cities in the dead of winter - Die for want of what is within their grasp.

They live, on the other side of it - live because they have found it.

Nothing else matters compared to helping them find it, and open it, and walk in and find Him. So I stay near the door.” (By Sam Shoemaker)

Answer Key: Intro.A. methods, better. B. calling, responsibility. I. Proclamation. II. Testimonial. III. Invitational. IV. Service. V. Relational. VI. Conversational.