

***Christianity that's Catching***

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There are events that stand out as witness to the world on our yearly calendar: Christmas and Easter shed brilliant light on Christianity. If there were no other witness, these commemorations stand as looming sentinels to influence the world for the Christ of Scripture—His miraculous birth and glorious resurrection. And then there are His children—Christian(s) ‘mingle’ to be sure!

“Who can be astonished at anything,  
when he has once been astonished at the manger and the cross?

Charles Spurgeon

“We are our brother’s keeper.  
...If you don’t want to share, it’s highly likely that you have nothing to share.”

Zig Zigler

**Prepare by Soaking in Scripture:**

**Genesis 4:9** *“Then the LORD said to Cain, ‘Where is your brother Abel?’*

*‘I don’t know,’ he replied. ‘Am I my brother’s keeper?’”*

**Matthew 28:8**

**Luke 2:17-18**

**Luke 10:16 (Jesus speaking)**

**Hebrews 3:13**

**1 Peter 3:1-2**

**Scripture to Memorize:**

**2 Corinthians 2:15** *“For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing.”*

**NOTES on Speaking Session:****Questions for Mentor-group Discussion:**

1. Someone has said that **we can never speak to the wrong person about Christ**. Does that statement bring you comfort, and, if so, in what way?      Yes   No

**Why?**

2. People inoculate themselves against catching a disease, and many do so against the gospel. Using the idea of **spreading** a cold, draw a line from each word under 'COLD' to match up with what would infect with 'CHRISTIANITY'—fill in blanks to see what goes together.

| <b>COLD</b> | <b>CHRISTIANITY</b>  |
|-------------|----------------------|
| Cough up    | Live and _____       |
| Touch       | _____ with Scripture |
| Wipe nose   | _____ Testimony      |
| Breath      | Personal _____       |
| Share       | Speak ____           |

3. When is the last time you shared your testimony of salvation with someone? \_\_\_\_\_.

“We discover divine love in the inexplicable freedom of solitary confinement with God.

**We then bring it without so much as a deliberate thought into the great assembly.**

It simply cannot stay home!”

Francois Fenelon

**Recommended Reading:**

*Becoming a Contagious Christian*, Mark Mittelberg, Lee Strobel, and Bill Hybels  
*Confessions of a Happy Christian*, Zig Zigler