

"These stories connect readers with their own ability to hear and activate them to walk in this gift in everyday experiences." —Bill Johnson

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A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR
THE SUPERNATURAL CHURCH

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Foreword by John Loren Sandford

excerpt:

"Sometimes all the words in the world seem to fall on deaf ears when we're trying to share the Gospel. That's when power-encounters like healing, prophecy, and the Word of Knowledge come in handy."

objectives:

- ❖ Learn the value of words of knowledge in evangelism.
- ❖ Examine various ways that the Holy Spirit leads and empowers believers in evangelism.
- ❖ Engage in Spirit-led evangelism.

assignments:

FOR NEXT WEEK:

- ❖ Ask the Lord to lead you to someone this week with whom to share the Gospel.
- ❖ Read Chapter 7 of *The Word of Knowledge in Action*.

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Lesson 7:

The Word of Knowledge and Evangelism

This week, we will examine how to engage in effective evangelism through asking for words of knowledge. Set aside plenty of extra time this week for the application time. The exercise will typically require 1 to 2 hours. If your format and schedule do not allow for doing this after the meeting, consider getting together a couple hours earlier or scheduling an event later in the week.

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you learn from last week's experience of practicing Spirit-led prayer? Was it easy or difficult to practice this exercise all week?
2. How can a Word of Knowledge make us more effective at reaching people who are ready to make a decision for Christ?
3. How can a Word of Knowledge help us when we are ministering to someone we have never previously met?
4. What is it about the nature of a Word of Knowledge that seems to make it such an effective tool in evangelism?
5. In the previous lessons, we have talked about how the Word of Knowledge works with intercession, healing, visions & dreams, and prophecy. How are each of these Christian practices also beneficial in evangelism (whether or not a Word of Knowledge is involved)?

Application:

As a group, go on a "treasure hunt." Start with prayer, and write down the "clues" that come to mind (related to locations, names, a person's appearance, what they might need prayer for, and any other random or unusual thoughts). Follow the clues and look for people who might be on the list. Strike up a conversation with those people and see where it takes you! Try to spend more time asking the person questions and listening to their answers than you spend telling them things. Ask to pray, and expect results!

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