



Influencing Your Sphere



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in the woods. **STOP!**

S. Stay calm: You can't use your
brain well if you're in a panic.

T. Think: How did you get here?
Get out your map and see what
you can figure out.



O. Observe: Look for your footprints. What about landmarks? Find the clues and maybe you can solve mystery of where you are.

P. Plan: If you're pretty sure of the way back, move carefully. But what if you're wrong? Mark your trail as you move.



John 4:3-4

“He left Judea and departed again to Galilee. But He needed to go through Samaria.”

Jesus had a Divine appointment for one individual.

Jesus on purpose put His disciples in a very awkward situation.



John 4:39

*“And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who **testified**, ‘He told me all that I ever did.’”*

A Whole Town Comes To Jesus.

Notice the **PERSON**

Notice The **PASSION**



Vision Statement:

“Transforming Lives To Impact
Their World.”

Their: pronoun a form of the possessive case of they used as an attributive adjective, before a noun: their home; their rights as citizens



Sam Williams —

“Evangelism is helping people discover how God is already at work in their lives.”



2 Corinthians 10:13-16 (ESV)

“...the area of influence God assigned to us is to reach you... But our hope is that as your faith increases, our area of influence may be greatly enlarged, so that we may preach the gospel in lands beyond you.”



2 Corinthians 10:13 (NKJV)

“We, however, will not boast beyond measure, but within the limits of the sphere which God appointed us—a sphere which especially includes you.”



2 Corinthians 10:13 (KJV)

“But we will not boast of things without our measure, but according to the measure of the rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you.”



Rule (kanon):— a definitely bounded or fixed space within the limits of which one's power of influence is confined

You have a sphere of influence.

Faithfulness to the sphere you are in will lead you to MORE!!!



Acts 16:31

“So they said, ‘Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.’”

Household (oikos):— the place where one has fixed his residence, family, descendants of one.



Matthew 5:13

“You are the salt of the earth.”

SALT

See As Jesus - Value

Accept As Jesus - Where they are

Love As Jesus - Unconditional

Touch As Jesus - Transformational



Identify My Sphere:

1. My People

Mark 5:19

“Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.”



2. My Place

Acts 17:26-27

“From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him...”



3. My Passion

Psalm 37:4

*“Delight yourself also in the Lord,
And He shall give you the
desires of your heart.”*



Impact My Sphere

1. My Manner

Colossians 4:5-6

“Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.”



1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

“Make it your goal to live a quiet life, minding your own business and working with your hands, just as we instructed you before. Then people who are not believers will respect the way you live,....”



2. My Moments

Psalm 37:23 (NLT)

“The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives.”

Proverbs 16:9

“A man’s heart plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps.”



3. My Message

1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,...”



2 Corinthians 5:18-19

*“Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has **committed to us the word of reconciliation.**”*

Matthew 5:14-16

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Luke 19:5 (NCV)

*“Zacchaeus, hurry and come down! **I must** stay at your house today.”*

Tree climbers are all around you!
Be Aware - Share - Prayer - Care



