## ~EVANGELIZER (398)

- ·· Special Missionary Evangelizers
- .. Evangelizing In The Time of the End
- A preacher of the gospel or Good News, a messenger of good. The Greek *eu-ag-ge-li-stes'* evangelizer is closely related to the word *eu-ag-ge'li-on*, Good News or gospel.
- Look! Upon the mountains the feet of one bringing Good News, one publishing peace. O Judah, celebrate your festivals. Pay your vows, because no more will any good-for-nothing person pass again through you. In his entirety he will certainly be cut off. (Nahum 1:15) Footnote
- Then he went around throughout the whole of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Good News of the kingdom and curing every sort of disease and every sort of infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4:23) FOOTTHOOSE
- Yehowah is the **Great Evangelizer**, or **Bringer of Good News**. After Adam's fall into sin it was Good News to learn, at
- And I shall put enmity between you and the woman and between your seed and her seed. He will bruise you in the head and you will bruise him in the heel. (Genesis 3:15)
- That there would be a seed to crush the serpents head. It gave hope to humankind.
- For the creation was subjected to futility, not by its own will but through him that subjected it, on the basis of hope (Romans 8:20)
- Enlarging on the promise of the seed to Abraham, Yehowah declared Good News to him.
- Now the Scripture, seeing in advance that God would declare people of the nations righteous due to faith, declared the Good News beforehand to Abraham, namely; By means of you all the nations will be blessed. (Galatians 3:8)
- And Yehowah proceeded to say to Abram; Go your way out of

- your country and from your relatives and from the house of your father to the country that I shall show you. (Genesis 12:1)
- And I shall make a great nation out of you and I shall bless you and I will make your name great, and prove yourself a blessing. (Genesis 12:2)
- And I will bless those who bless you, and him that calls down evil upon you I shall curse, and all the families of the ground will certainly bless themselves by means of you. (Genesis 12:3)
- How comely upon the mountains are the feet of the one bringing Good News, the one publishing peace, the one bringing Good News of something better, the one publishing salvation, the one saying to Zion; Your God has become king! (Isaiah 52:7)
- It was prophesied that there would be one bringing Good News with regard to the restoration of the Jews from Babylon. This text is quoted by the apostle Paul in reference to the evangelizing work of Christians.
- How, in turn, will they preach unless they have been sent forth?

  Just as it is written: How comely are the feet of those who declare Good News of good things! (Romans 10:15)
- The angel Gabriel was an evangelizer in announcing the Good News of the coming birth of John the Baptizer to Zechariah and of Jesus to Mary. An angel was an evangelizer to the shepherds at the time of Jesus birth.
- And Zechariah said to the angel; How am I to be sure of this? For I am aged and my wife is well along in years. (Luke 1:18)
- In reply the angel said to him; I am Gabriel, who stands near before God, and I was sent forth to speak with you and declare the Good News of these things to you. (Luke 1:19)
- But, look! You will be silent and not able to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their appointed time. (Luke 1:20)
- Meanwhile the people continued waiting for Zechariah, and they began to wonder at his delaying in the sanctuary. (Luke 1:21)

- But when he came out he was not able to speak to them, and they perceived that he had just seen a supernatural sight in the sanctuary, and he kept making signs to them, but remained dumb. (Luke 1:22)
- When, now, the days of his public service were fulfilled, he went off to his home. (Luke 1:23)
- But after these days Elizabeth his wife became pregnant, and she kept herself secluded for five months, saying; (Luke 1:24)
- This is the way Yehowah has dealt with me in these days when he has given me his attention to take away my reproach among men. (Luke 1:25)
- In her sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent forth from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth. (Luke 1:26)
- To a virgin promised in marriage to a man named Joseph of David's house, and the name of the virgin was Mary. (Luke 1:27)
- And when he went in before her he said; Good day, highly favored one, Yehowah is with you. (Luke 1:28)
- But she was deeply disturbed at the saying and began to reason out what sort of greeting this might be. (Luke 1:29)
- So the angel said to her; Have no fear, Mary, for you have found favor with God. (Luke 1:30)
- And, look! You will conceive in your womb and give birth to a son, and you are to call his name Jesus. (Luke 1:31)
- This one will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and Yehowah God will give him the throne of David his father. (Luke 1:32)
- And he will rule as king over the house of Jacob forever, and there will be no end of his kingdom. (Luke 1:33)
- But Mary said to the angel; How is this to be, since I am having no intercourse with a man? (Luke 1:34)
- In answer the angel said to her; Holy spirit will come upon you,

and power of the Most High will overshadow you. For that reason also what is born will be called holy, God's Son. (Luke 1:35)

- And, look! Elizabeth your relative has also herself conceived a son, in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her, the so-called barren woman. (Luke 1:36)
- Because with God no declaration will be an impossibility. (Luke 1:37)
- Then Mary said; Look! Yehowah's slave girl! May it take place with me according to your declaration. At that the angel departed from her. (Luke 1:38)
- But the angel said to them; Have no fear, for, look! I am declaring to you Good News of a great joy that all the people will have. (Luke 2:10)
- John the Baptizer was an evangelizer, for it is recorded that he continued declaring Good News to the people.
- Therefore he also gave many other exhortations and continued declaring Good News to the people. (Luke 3:18)
- All the disciples of Jesus took part in the public ministry of declaring the Good News and were therefore evangelizers.
- However, those who had been scattered went through the land declaring the Good News of the word. (Acts of Apostles 8:4)

## **See Also GOOD NEWS**

- ·· Special Missionary Evangelizers
- While all Christians are commissioned to be evangelizers, the word is used in a special way at;
- Wherefore he says; When he ascended on high he carried away captives, he gave gifts in men. (Ephesians 4:8)
- And he gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelizers, some as shepherds and teachers. (Ephesians 4:11)

- With a view to the readjustment of the holy ones, for ministerial work, for the building up of the body of the Christ. (Ephesians 4:12)
- Where Paul describes the gifts in men that Christ gave to the congregation when he ascended on high; And he gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelizers, some as shepherds and teachers, for the building up of the body of the Christ.
- The specific work of such evangelizers was that of missionaries. Often these would open new fields where the Good News had not been previously preached. Evangelizers precede shepherds and teachers in the listing at;
- And he gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelizers, some as shepherds and teachers. (Ephesians 4:11)
- Because after the Good News has been preached and disciples have been made, the shepherds and teachers do a further building work from that point.
- Philip is one mentioned especially as an evangelizer. He pioneered the work after Pentecost in the city of Samaria with great success.
- Philip was directed by an angel to preach the Good News about Christ to the Ethiopian eunuch, whom he baptized. Then Philip was led away by the spirit to preach in Ashdod and all the cities on the way to Caesarea.
- Philip, for one, went down to the city of Samaria and began to preach the Christ to them. (Acts of Apostles 8:5)
- But when they believed Philip, who was declaring the Good News of the kingdom of God and of the name of Jesus Christ, they proceeded to be baptized, both men and women. (Acts of Apostles 8:12)
- When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they dispatched Peter and John to them. (Acts of Apostles 8:14)
- However, Yehowah's angel spoke to Philip, saying; Rise and go to the south to the road that runs down from Jerusalem to Gaza.

This is a desert road. (Acts of Apostles 8:26)

- With that he rose and went, and, look! An Ethiopian eunuch, a man in power under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, and who was over all her treasure. He had gone to Jerusalem to worship. (Acts of Apostles 8:27)
- But he was returning and was sitting in his chariot and reading aloud the prophet Isaiah. (Acts of Apostles 8:28)
- So the spirit said to Philip; Approach and join yourself to this chariot. (Acts of Apostles 8:29)
- Philip ran alongside and heard him reading aloud Isaiah the prophet, and he said; Do you actually know what you are reading? (Acts of Apostles 8:30)
- He said; Really, how could I ever do so, unless someone guided me? And he entreated Philip to get on and sit down with him. (Acts of Apostles 8:31)
- Now the passage of Scripture that he was reading aloud was this; As a sheep he was brought to the slaughter, and as a lamb that is voiceless before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. (Acts of Apostles 8:32)
- During his humiliation the judgment was taken away from him.
   Who will tell the details of his generation? Because his life is taken away from the earth. (Acts of Apostles 8:33)
- In answer the eunuch said to Philip; I beg you, About whom does the prophet say this? About himself or about some other man? (Acts of Apostles 8:34)
- Philip opened his mouth and, starting with this Scripture, he declared to him the Good News about Jesus. (Acts of Apostles 8:35)
- Now as they were going over the road, they came to a certain body of water, and the eunuch said; Look! A body of water, what prevents me from getting baptized? (Acts of Apostles 8:36)
- With that he commanded the chariot to halt, and they both went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized

## him. (Acts of Apostles 8:38)

- When they had come up out of the water, Yehowah's spirit quickly led Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him anymore, for he kept going on his way rejoicing. (Acts of Apostles 8:39)
- But Philip was found to be in Ashdod, and he went through the territory and kept on declaring the Good News to all the cities until he got to Caesarea. (Acts of Apostles 8:40)
- Paul did much evangelizing.
- For our part we will boast, not outside our assigned boundaries, but according to the boundary of the territory that God apportioned to us by measure, making it reach even as far as you. (2 Corinthians 10:13)
- Really we are not overstretching ourselves as if we did not reach to you, for we were the first to come even as far as you in declaring the Good News about the Christ. (2 Corinthians 10:14)
- No, we are not boasting outside our assigned boundaries in the labors of someone else, but we entertain hope that, as your faith is being increased, we may be made great among you with reference to our territory. Then we will abound still more. (2 Corinthians 10:15)
- To declare the Good News to the countries beyond you, so as not to boast in someone else's territory where things are already prepared. (2 Corinthians 10:16)
- Was an evangelizer, or missionary, and Paul laid special emphasis on evangelizing in giving his parting exhortation to Timothy.
- You, though, keep your senses in all things, suffer evil, do the work of an evangelizer, fully accomplish your ministry. (2 Timothy 4:5)
- Just as I encouraged you to stay in Ephesus when I was about to go my way into Macedonia, so I do now, that you might command certain ones not to teach different doctrine. (1 Timothy 1:3)
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- The most extensive evangelizing yet undertaken must be carried out in the time of the end, according to the express statement of Jesus at;
- And this Good News of the kingdom will be preached in all the inhabited earth for a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come. (Matthew 24:14)
- This Good News of the kingdom will be preached in all the inhabited earth, and then the end will come. In the present time the nations have their economic, political, and medical missionaries and the like. But Christians are under command to preach about God's Kingdom and make disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Preach the word, be at it urgently in favorable season, in troublesome season, reprove, reprimand, exhort, with all long-suffering and art of teaching. (2 Timothy 4:2)
- If, now, I am declaring the Good News, it is no reason for me to boast, for necessity is laid upon me. Really, woe is me if I did not declare the Good News! (1 Corinthians 9:16)
- It was revealed to them that, not to themselves, but to you, they were ministering the things that have now been announced to you through those who have declared the Good News to you with Holy Spirit sent forth from heaven. Into these very things angels are desiring to peer. (1 Peter 1:12)
- But the saying of Yehowah endures forever. Well, this is the saying; this which has been declared to you as Good News. (1 Peter 1:25)
- For it is the appointed time for the judgment to start with the house of God. Now if it starts first with us, what will the end be of those who are not obedient to the Good News of God? (1 Peter 4:17)
- The angel flying in midheaven with the everlasting Good News makes the proclamation;
- And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, and he had everlasting Good News to declare as glad tidings to those who dwell on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and

## people. (Revelation 14:6)

- Saying in a loud voice; Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of the judgment by him has arrived, and so worship the One who made the heaven and the earth and sea and fountains of waters. (Revelation 14:7)
- This is the Good News that the Christian evangelizer, or missionary, is to carry. Just as the Bible describes some persons such as Philip the evangelizer as missionaries, or evangelizers, in a special sense, some Christians today may do missionary work in a special sense, even going to other countries to preach.
- The next day we set out and arrived in Caesarea, and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelizer, who was one of the seven men, and we stayed with him. (Acts of Apostles 21:8)
- Nevertheless, all Christians are commissioned and obligated to be evangelizers wherever they are, in that they preach the Good News to all sorts of men.
- For if you publicly declare that word in your own mouth, that Jesus is Lord, and exercise faith in your heart that God raised him up from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)
- For with the heart one exercises faith for righteousness, but with the mouth one makes public declaration for salvation. (Romans 10:10)