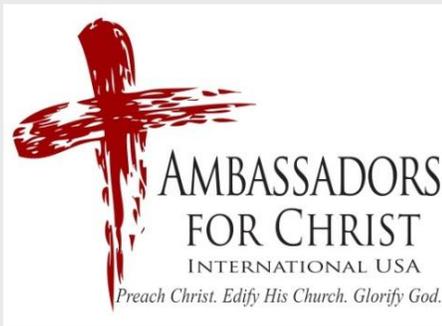


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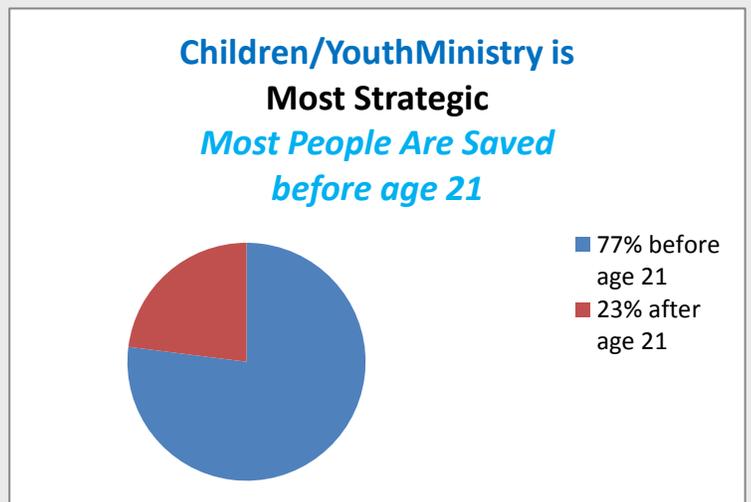


Mr. Van Dyke, how can a person know that he is right with God? Wow, what a question to ask a preacher like me. It was asked by one of the students from the Marietta Regional Detention Center. Because I cannot reveal his real name, I will just call him Able. Able is a kind of chubby Latino young man who seems to want to do right, but can't. I have bonded with him in a special way. He has a jolly innocence that makes him different from some of the others. He is one of the ones who regularly participates in my Saturday classes. One of the teachers told me how adamantly he resisted going to class one Wednesday when he thought a different art teacher was coming. "I have an art teacher," he said. He wasn't interested in even trying anyone else. He was excited when he found out that the guest art teacher was me.

When Able asked me about eternal security at chapel service one Tuesday night, I was very thankful that I had a ready answer from the word of God to give him. I let him know that a person can definitely know for sure where they stand with God. We got into the bible together, starting in I John 5:13 "These things have I written unto you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life and that you may believe on the name of the Son of God." We walked through other parts of God's good Word also. By the end of our session, Able knew where he stood with Jesus our Lord. With a big smile on his face, he had a holy confidence in the finished work of Jesus Christ knowing that he is secure in the family of God, saved and sealed by the Holy Spirit. I will continue to disciple Able. I am grateful for the opportunity. Now he calls me "his preacher", I am humbled by the responsibility.

Thank you supporters and partners for you are partakers of this great ministry with me. There are many others who the Lord has allowed me to share the gospel with or teach the Bible to or give council or a word of wisdom to. You may never get to meet them in this life, but you share in touched lives, like Able as you partner with me. Your investment has great returns.

- Outreach "to children is the single most strategic ministry in God's kingdom (and will have) the greatest possible impact." George Barna, Christian pollster
- "If I deal with twenty adults, I am usually able to win one to Christ. But if I deal with twenty children, nineteen of them will accept Christ... If I had my life to live over, I would devote it to child evangelism." Paul Rood, President of The Bible Institute of Los Angeles and Chair of the national committee for Child Evangelism Fellowship
- "It's better to build boys than to repair men." S. Truett Cathy, founder Chick-fil-A



• **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- \* **Prisons – Burruss Prison continues. Pray for a Muslim inmate who comes for the art, but gets much more!**
- \* **Oglethorpe – Pray for the details of a concert outreach in April. Ask that the students will respond well. Pray for seeds planted at a recent campus event where various faiths, including Christianity were discussed.**
- \* **Support – Thank Him for providing for our family. Thank Him for adding more people who will give financial support to this ministry.**

*"How then can they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" Romans 10:14*