

Lesson 16. S-Short Gospel Presentation
Second Method—One Bible Verse Method

Introduction

The second Short Gospel Presentation in this module is called the One Bible Verse Method.

1. When using this method one Bible verse with a related picture is explained. The picture is beneficial in three ways. It catches the interest of the listener, helps clarify the verse, and keeps the listener focused on the message.
2. It is important to learn how to tell about the Lord Jesus Christ by using only one Bible verse because often people are not ready to hear more than a few words about Christ.
3. Sometimes in explaining the Bible verse and the picture, other passages of Scripture are mentioned. These are for reference and do not have to be included when explaining the main Bible verse.
4. The following Bible verses are used in this lesson.
 - 1) Isa 53:6
 - 2) Isa 26:3
 - 3) 1Jn 1:7b
 - 4) Ps 23:1
5. Turn to the Appendix, Lesson 16, One Bible Verse Method (page__). Here you see all four Bible verse pictures which are taught in this lesson. They can be Xeroxed one by one and used when witnessing to someone individually or as a group.

1. **Isa 53:6—All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.**

以赛亞书 53:6
我们都如羊走迷；各人
偏行己路；耶和華使我们
众人的罪孽都归在他身上。



This Bible verse, Is. 53:6, and the related picture make up a Short Gospel Presentation which includes the following points:

1. Love—We see God’s love in the *words*, “the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all” and in the *picture* of Jesus dying on the cross.

2. Sin—In this *Bible verse*, sin is explained as going astray or turning to our own way, rather than going the way God desires. In the *picture* we see the sheep, representing us, going in the opposite direction, away from Jesus.
 - 1) Notice the above explanation regarding Sin.
 - 2) You will see that several times the word sin or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of sin appears.
 - 3) Each time such words appear, they are underlined.
 - 4) Thus the following words are underlined: going astray, turning to our own way, going in the opposite direction.
 - 5) These underlined words are included in the meaning of sin.

3. Substitution—This point is contained in the *words*, “the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” Jesus became our substitute because He took our place by having all our iniquity (sin) put on Himself, and thus bore the punishment for all. In the *picture* all our sins are shown on Jesus’ shoulders.
 - 1) Notice the above explanation regarding Substitution.
 - 2) You will see that several times the word substitution or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of substitution appears.
 - 3) Each time such words appear, they are underlined.
 - 4) Thus the following words are underlined: substitute, took our place, bore the punishment.
 - 5) These underlined words are included in the meaning of substitute.

Summary: The three Gospel points that are included in this verse are love, sin, and substitution.

2. Isa 26:3—He will keep in perfect peace all those who trust in Him, whose thoughts turn often to the Lord!



坚心倚赖祢的，祢必保守他十分平安，
因为他倚靠祢。赛 26:3

This Bible verse, Isa 26:3, and the related picture make up a Short Gospel Presentation which includes the points which are listed below.

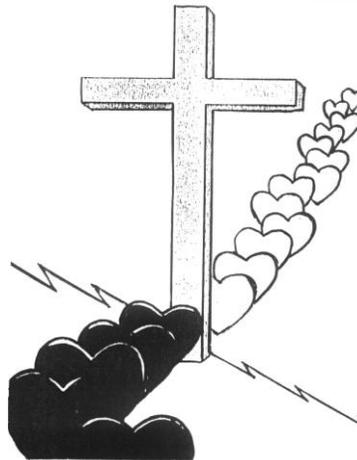
1. Love—In this verse we are reminded of God’s love in that He gives us perfect peace in the midst of our circumstances. In the picture, we see that the panda bear is at peace in the midst of the storm.
 - 1) The panda bear represents us.

- 2) Peace does not mean that there are no storms. It means that in the midst of the storms we put our confidence in God and do not worry.
- 3) As Christians we know that in all the storms of life God works everything for the best, as He sees the end from the beginning (Ro 8:28).
- 4) God wants the non-Christian to know Him and experience the peace of Jesus Christ in the midst of life's storms by turning all his worries and concerns over to Him (Php 4:7).
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding Love.*
 - *You will see that several times the word love or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of love appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*
 - *(The following words are the ones you should have just underlined: love, God works everything for the best).*
 - *These underlined words are included in the meaning of love.*

2. Belief—As we place our total trust in God, rather than in things of this earth, we have peace. Things of the earth may change, but God never changes in His love and care for us. It is the Holy Spirit Who creates faith in us and brings us peace in the midst of our earthly and spiritual concerns. He assures us that He will see us through every problem.
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding Belief.*
 - *You will see that several times the word belief or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of belief appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*
 - *(The following words are the ones you should have just underlined: trust, faith).*
 - *These underlined words are included in the meaning of belief.*

Summary: The two Gospel points that are included in this verse are love and belief.

3. 1Jn 1:7b—The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.



约翰壹书 1:7
他儿子耶稣的血也洗净我们一切的罪。

This Bible verse, 1Jn 1:7b, and the related picture make up a Short Gospel Presentation which includes the Gospel points which are listed below.

1. Love—We see the extent of God’s love for us in that He was willing to send Christ to shed His blood so that our hearts can be made clean. God showed His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (Ro 5:8).
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding Love.*
 - *You will see that several times the word love or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of love appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*

2. Sin—On the lower left side of the picture we see our dirty hearts which are desperately corrupt, full of darkness and sin (Jer 17:9).
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding Sin.*
 - *You will see that several times the word sin or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of sin appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*

3. Substitution—The cross reminds us that Jesus was our Substitute Who shed His blood when He was put to death for our sins.
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding Substitution*
 - *You will see that several times the word substitution or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of substitution appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*

4. Belief/Baptism—When we believe and are baptized, the blood of Jesus Christ is applied to our hearts, and thus it washes away our sin. In the picture we see that after our hearts go through the cross, they are changed to be white as snow (Ps 51:7b, Ac 22:16).
 - *Notice the above explanation regarding belief/baptism.*
 - *You will see that several times the word belief/baptism or another word or phrase which includes the meaning of belief/baptism appears.*
 - *Each time such words appear, underline them.*

Summary: The four Gospel points that are included in this verse are love, sin, substitution and belief/baptism.

4. Ps 23:1—The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.



耶和華是我的牧者，我必不致缺乏。

詩 23:1

This Bible verse, Ps 23:1, and the related picture make up a Short Gospel Presentation which includes the Gospel points which are listed below.

1. Love—In this Bible verse God compares Himself to a shepherd who loves his sheep and provides them with everything they need physically and spiritually (Php 4:19).
2. Substitution—Jesus is the good shepherd Who gave His life for the sheep (Jn 10:14-15). This means that He has taken care of our spiritual needs by saving our souls through His death on the cross.
3. Belief—The Holy Spirit instills faith in our hearts so that we know the good Shepherd will provide for all our needs. We enjoy the great blessing of having a close relationship to Jesus, our Good Shepherd (Ps 16:11, Pr 16:20b).

As you did for the first three Bible verses, now also underline the appropriate words above. You should underline all the words and phrases which are related to each of the above three Gospel points.

Summary: The three Gospel points that are included in this verse are love, substitution and belief.

Homework Assignments:

1. Underline the words in this lesson as directed in the text.
2. Choose one of your favorite Bible verses and find or draw a picture which can be used to explain it. Write which Gospel points are included in the Bible verse you choose and explain. This assignment will be collected at the beginning of the next class period.

3. Choose a Bible verse and picture from today's lesson and explain it to a non-Christian before class tomorrow. Write a short report to be handed in tomorrow.