HOW TO OVERCOME SOME OBSTACLES TO EVANGELISM

I. OVERCOMING THE OBSTACLES THAT MIGHT HINDER YOU

A. You may lack proper VISION in this area

- 1. This is almost always due to an ______ preoccupation with _____.
- 2. This lack of vision for the lost occurs when your vision is ______ by the things of this ______ system around you.

* What is the remedy for this kind of thinking?

B. You may be gripped by FEAR

- 1. Fear is a normal human ______, but how you ______ it becomes the real issue.
- 2. Understanding different types of fear...
 - a. General _____
 - b. Approbation fear—the "fear of _____" (Prov. 29:25; Jer. 1:8)
 - c. The fear of _____

C. You may be INTIMIDATED by the successes of others

1. It is a _______ if others are simply ______, but understand they may be just excited that they were used by the Spirit of God to lead someone to the Savior.

* If someone else has a great singing voice does this mean you should just stop singing altogether?

2. If you are thinking ______, the genuine successes and the ______ of others should help motivate you to continue steadfastly serving the Lord.

D. You may resist because you feel GUILT or PRESSURE from others

- 1. Actually this is a _____ reaction.
- 2. You have at least 3 options when you feel this way...
 - a. You can say ______ and _____ evangelize at all.
 - b. You can evangelize for the ______ reasons...simply to please ______.
 - c. You can allow God to ______ your _____ with a burden for the lost, and then you evangelize effectively unto _____.

E. You may not KNOW HOW to evangelize

- 1. If you have been sitting under sound ______ for a decent amount of time, you have more than enough ______ to share with the lost; believe it or not, you already know _____!
- 2. If you are coming out to church ______, you should be able to rehearse the gospel message in your ______, unless of course you typically "_____" during that portion of the message.

* Are you willing to start applying these truths by the grace of God?