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Heavenly Perspective for 2017: If God has done something in you, it's because He wants to do something through you. He wants to use you where you are with what you know in the New Year. **God wants to use you as His mailman in 2017!**

As the Father has sent me, I am sending you. John 20:21b NIV

So we have been sent to speak for Christ. It is like God is calling to people through us. We speak for Christ when we beg you to be at peace with God. 2 Corinthians 5:20 ERV

Daily Route: Where the rhythm of our life naturally causes us to cross the path of those outside the faith but inside our reach.

Whom would you like to see come to faith this year?

HINDRANCES TO DELIVERING GOD'S MAIL:

1. Fear of _____
2. Too _____
3. Lack of _____ and/or _____
4. Fearful you'll be asked _____ you can't answer
5. Fear of being "_____"
6. Fear of losing _____
7. Your _____
8. Other: _____

Million Dollar Question: How do I deliver God's mail in practical, doable, and authentic ways to people who are constantly changing their spiritual address?

Be wise when you engage with those outside the faith community; make the most of every moment and every encounter.
Colossians 4:5 VOICE

Spiritual Address: Where someone is currently residing in relationship to God. ***We have to start where people are in relationship to God, not where we would like them to be.***

The Nudging Ministry: God's kingdom advances 1 touch at a time, 1 conversation at a time, and 1 "a-ha" at a time.

A "Framing" Story

1. Talk to God about men before you talk to men about God!
2. Ask to hear their story! Discover their spiritual address!
3. Seek to understand before you seek to be understood. In the spirit of James 1:19: *"Be quick to listen and slow to speak."*
4. Ask more "wondering" questions: <http://godsgps.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/99-Wondering-Qs-updated-format.pdf>
5. Always ask for permission before talking about spiritual things.
6. Do not oversupply and kill the demand!
7. Handle their objections and concerns with TLC!
8. Prayerfully discern next steps: resources to provide, follow-up questions to ask, answers to find, things to pray for, etc.

God space is where God's love is demonstrated in practical, doable, and authentic ways. Safe space is created for cynics, skeptics, and spiritually curious people to raise their questions, express their doubts, and vent their frustrations. Seeds of faith are cultivated, planted, watered, and nurtured. Christianity thus becomes credible, relevant, plausible, and believable!

Success is taking the initiative to create God space in practical, doable, and authentic ways and leaving the results up to God.