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Pride causes us to care more about what our non-Christian friends think of us than what God will do to them in their sin.

~Mark Dever

A gospel that in no way offends the sinner has not been understood.

~Mark Dever

God's Word has always been His chosen instrument to create, convict, convert, and conform His people.

~Mark Dever

Avoiding the doctrine of Hell is one step away from denying it altogether.

~Mark Dever

The gospel of Christ has never needed the gimmicks of man to effect conversion in the soul

~Mark Dever

Your plans are fine, as long as you realize God has the right to change them.

~Mark Dever

Friend, the church finds its life as it listens to the Word of God. It finds its purpose as it lives out and displays the Word of God. The church's job is to listen and then to echo.

~Mark Dever

We do not fail in our evangelism if we faithfully tell the gospel to someone who is not subsequently converted; we fail only if we do not faithfully tell the gospel at all.

~Mark Dever

Christian proclamation might make the gospel audible, but Christians

living together in local congregations make the gospel visible (see John 13:34-35). The church is the gospel made visible.

~Mark Dever

Correct division should be preferred over corrupt unity.

~Mark Dever

Our examples of enduring hardship are often more powerful than our stories of success and triumph.

~Mark Dever

Worldliness in the church is a lot more pervasive than a lack of passion for evangelism. Nevertheless, one of the results of worldliness is a waning enthusiasm for evangelism.

~Mark Dever

The church arises only from the gospel. And a distorted church usually coincides with a distorted gospel.

~Mark Dever

Evangelism is not imposing anything on anyone; it is simply sharing the truth.

~Mark Dever

I recognize that not all of us may have the same abilities and talents in sharing the gospel. But I want to keep the heat on all of us for getting the good news out there.

~Mark Dever

For a Christian, our fears about the future are rooted in those places where our will differs from God's will.

~Mark Dever

Membership is the church's corporate endorsement of a person's

salvation.

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Forgetfulness of God's grace is one of the greatest tools in the enemy's war against our souls.

~Mark Dever

We do live best in this world when we keep the next in mind.

~Mark Dever

God's eternal plan has always been to display his glory not just through individuals but through a corporate body.

~Mark Dever

If you have no interest in actually committing yourself to an actual group of gospel-believing, Bible-teaching Christians, you might question whether you belong to the body of Christ at all!

~Mark Dever

Today is what the Lord has prepared you for.

~Mark Dever

We mustn't be content to just sit around pointing out the errors in others; we actually need to be sharing the gospel and praying for people to be converted.

~Mark Dever

Christians are defined not by our heritage, but by our mission; not by our blood, but by His.

Sin claims to free but in fact it kills.

~Mark Dever

If you are not offending people, then you are not an evangelist.

~Mark Dever

By the grace of God I am what I am

~Mark Dever

If joy or urgency are missing from our presentation of the gospel, then our testimony to Christ will be missing that sort of fullness that we find in the New Testament.

~Mark Dever

An evangelist no more imposes his views on others than a pilot imposes his views on his passengers when he lands a plane on a runway. I bet the passengers are glad!

~Mark Dever

Humility is not an 'added extra,' one of the lesser Christian virtues. If you don't have humility, you may be lost.

~Mark Dever

Prayer is the preview of God's action.

~Mark Dever

We can't know at any given time how God will bless our faithful witness. So the apparent numerical growth of the church is never a good guide to how faithful we have been in evangelism.

~Mark Dever

If you are not a member of the church you regularly attend, you may well be going to hell.

We should want to evangelize because of the joy that God puts in our hearts. Ultimately, that's the best reason for sharing our faith.

~Mark Dever

If we feel that our ministry has come to an end in one place, then it seems reasonable to move on.

~Mark Dever

People forget that there is a big difference between coercion and persuasion. The idea that evangelism is coercive is nonsense.

~Mark Dever

What really concerns me is for Christians to understand the fundamentals of evangelism in a way that is helpful in the contemporary scene.

~Mark Dever

I guess I tend to see divine appointments everywhere. I am always on the alert for opportunities. So I prefer to err on the side of witnessing too often than not enough.

~Mark Dever

Some believers are faithful in the way that they live, but at the end of the day, they will not share the gospel with as many people as someone else who has special gifts from God.

~Mark Dever

Sometimes we have to wait a long time to see conversions.

~Mark Dever

Suffering can serve us. Suffering tests our trust in God's promises. And we have a great interest in knowing the truth about our trust in Him.

God can use even stray, honest comments to bring people to himself.

~Mark Dever

I think it's unhelpful to suggest that the task of evangelism is essentially the responsibility of ministers.

~Mark Dever

There is no gospel without the offence. This is God's wisdom. It never seems sensible to us in our flesh.

~Mark Dever

Unbelief is like gravity, it's always pulling down on the authority of Scripture.

~Mark Dever

I'll tell you what's more important than all the commentaries in your library: prayer.

~Mark Dever

We may be sinking in the North Atlantic in the most famous ship disaster of all time, but God can still use us to reach out and save others through our witness.

~Mark Dever

We are all called to have faith. So all of us are called to evangelize, while some are specially gifted for this ministry.

~Mark Dever

Keep going until you get good counsel that is persuasive for you that you should go elsewhere.

~Mark Dever

To evangelize properly by delivering the gospel, we need to follow God's agenda.

~Mark Dever

Discipling involves instruction and imitation.

~Mark Dever

There is simply so much reason to believe the good news of Jesus Christ in history, in Scripture, as well as in our own experience that it would take a leap of faith not to believe in the gospel.

~Mark Dever

It doesn't matter whether we live in the 19th or 21st centuries; we face the same basic problems that everyone who lives between the Fall and the return of Christ faces.

~Mark Dever

There are opportunities around. It takes time and motivation to take them.

~Mark Dever

From the time of Cain until the last believer before Christ's return, we are all fundamentally in the same boat. We suffer the same spiritual afflictions and tendencies.

~Mark Dever

If you need wisdom and guidance, then pray to the Lord to guide you.

~Mark Dever

Once we see more of our need and understand more of what Christ has done for us, he will become more precious to us. And this, in turn, will enable our obedience far more than sheer grunt effort.

~Mark Dever

Our fears lie to us about how important they are.

We need the word proclaimed so that we hear the gospel clearly, but then it's also very natural to have people talk about the Christian faith in ordinary conversation.

~Mark Dever

I think we have to realize that God sometimes gives us more time to pray, and when he does this, we can pray that he will bless those who have opportunities to speak to others.

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