

## **Goals**

- Lift up Jesus Christ
- Support the Gibson family
- Share the Gospel
- Seek God's leading

## **Some important principles**

- Reliance on God
- Servant's heart, especially toward Gibsons
- Team spirit, Willing, Supporting one another
- Follow leaders' instructions
- Be on time
- Guys & Girls-not alone together

## **New York City**

- Crazy place! Not as bad as many expect...
- Never alone!
- Be aware!

## **About Jewish People**

- Best to forget stereotypes
- Generally nice, generous
- Sometimes love to argue, debate!
- Diverse belief systems
- from Ultra-Orthodox to atheist
- Usually don't know the Bible!
- It's better to ask than to assume
- Rabbis, culture have great power
- Their desperate spiritual need

## **Ministry to Jewish People**

- Often expect anti-Semitism; long history of persecution; defensiveness
- Attitudes toward Jesus Christ, Christianity

- Jewish people are coming to Jesus Christ
- Usually through long-term relationships; after multiple Gospel presentations

#### **Our job:**

- We can be one of those multiple Gospel presentations
- We don't have opportunity to build long-term relationships, but we can support those who do.
- Take the long view: If I win him, GREAT! If not, still good. :-)
- Love, Patience
- "I'm Jewish!" (Go away.)
- We love Jewish people!
- Ask him a leading question: I've always wondered what Jewish people believe about...
- Give them something to think about

### **Presenting the Gospel**

#### **1-Are you a sinner?**

Do you consider yourself to be a sinner? Are you afraid to stand before God?

**Psalm 14:1-3** We are all sinners.

#### **2-How can you escape?**

What can you do to escape the guilt of your sin?

**Psalm 32:1-5** David says that the answer is not our righteousness, works; the answer is forgiveness.

#### **3-How can we obtain forgiveness?**

How did a man get forgiveness in David's day? (Through sacrifice in the Temple)

But, today there's no Temple, no priesthood, no sacrifice.

How can we get forgiveness today?

#### **4-The Messiah is the only way!**

God provided the Messiah as the perfect sacrifice for our sins

### **Isaiah 53**

#### **•Dealing with opposition**

- Stay calm, polite
- Don't argue, be defensive; it's not about you.
- Remember that your greatest witness may be your grace under fire.