



## Making the most of an outreach event

***Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.***

*(Colossians 4:5–6 NIV)*

- **Before the event**

- Pray
- Invest in friendships with unbelievers
- Pray
- Invite
- Plan for acceptance
  - Be ready to receive their acceptance with a plan...
  - Pick them up?
  - Reminders?
- Plan for rejection
  - Be ready to accept their rejection with "salty grace"
- Pray
  - for event
  - for guests
  - for speaker
  - for follow up

- **At the event**

- Arrive with your guest
- Think about where you sit etc.
- Think about other Christians that you can introduce & rely on
- If you don't have a guest, be the one who can be relied upon to make other guests welcome (Evangelism is a team sport!)
- During the talk look & be interested & engaged.
- During the talk be praying (while looking & being interested & engaged!)
- Be ready with an open ended question to promote discussion after the talk.
- Listen more than you talk... be vulnerable & patient & full of grace.
- Trust in the sovereignty of God.
- Take gracious risks in your conversations.

- **After the event**

- Have a loving plan of follow up.
- Pray
- Follow the plan in love.
- Pray

