

Challenge Ministries



be ready always to give an answer
I Peter 3:15

earnestly contend for the faith
Jude 3

Fishers of Men

November 2013

SDSU, Balboa Park, Downtown, Octoberfest, & La Mesa Overpass

We had another rather unique outreach this month. If you recall we have a large, white, 8 foot styrofoam cross. This month we used it on the Severin overpass on freeway 8 in La Mesa. The words, "Are You Ready?" were in large bold black letters on the cross beam. It was easily readable from the cars on freeway 8. For 2 hours I waved and held the cross over the chain link fence. Every couple of minutes someone would honk including a police car and several big 18 wheelers. I think most were in support but I know a few weren't happy as they waved single fingers as they drove by.

The idea was simply to make people think about life and death and eternity. Although there were no opportunities this time to share the gospel, I know many Christians would be able to refer to this display and start a conversation about spiritual things.



This is Nancy at Octoberfest. She just walked up to these 3 young men, gave them a tract and started talking to them about God. It's really that easy.



This is what you would see overhead driving on freeway 8 off Severin Drive. Thousands of cars saw this one afternoon a couple of weeks ago.



This was my view as I looked down on the traffic holding the cross waving at people as they passed by. Perhaps a hundred honked.

NEWSLETTER

Challenge Ministries is a non-profit Christian ministry dedicated to the defense and proclamation of the Gospel and Biblical truth.

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Atheists Challenged

Ever walk into a bees nest.... intentionally? I did this at Balboa Park recently. The San Diego Atheists chapter had a 10 foot booth on the main walkway with lots of signs and literature. There were at least a dozen of them. I decided I didn't want to waste my time with a long debate so I walked in the midst of them and asked if I could ask just one question with no follow up dialogue. I had my video camera going. Question: "If you could be convinced that there was a true and living God that created all things in which you were accountable, Would you worship and serve Him?"

Immediately the answers were "no, no, no, it depends, not the God of the Bible, and no, no, it depends". Bottom line Romans 1 says they know God but suppress the truth and worship the creature more than the creator. Romans says they are without excuse for not knowing the existence of God and His character.

This video proves that even if they could be convinced "intellectually" of the existence of God, they would refuse to worship and serve Him. This demonstrates the depravity of man and his rebellion against the creator. I posted the video on YouTube.

The Title: **The Question Most Hated by Atheists.**



The San Diego Atheists have a booth on Saturdays at Balboa Park. This is a screen capture of the video I posted on YouTube with their response to my question stated above.

Christians Challenged

I video taped the response from 6 Christians that were handing out tracts at Balboa Park recently. The question I asked was, "Must Christians Share the Gospel?"

The answers were of course absolutely! Not only should this be a natural response of gratitude from the believer, but commands to do so are sprinkled throughout the New Testament. The great commission to proclaim the gospel was never intended as a suggestion. God not only does the work of salvation in the heart but determines the means in which he will save which is hearing the word.

I think the greatest reason for sharing the gospel with great passion and fervor is our Saviour and Lord is worthy of this praise and glory and honor.

Matt. 10:32. Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.



This is Larry standing by the tree with a mic and small amp. We are downtown San Deigo on Broadway. Larry is a full time street preacher from Sacramento. We have worked together several times when he comes down.

What's Happening and What's Coming???

Mother Goose Parade El Cajon... November 24, Lord willing, we'll go early and hand out tracts on Sunday morning before the parade starts.

December Nights... The first weekend in December is the largest event anywhere in Southern California. Over 300,000 are expected again this year.

Parkway Plaza... We try and go to this mall every year in November or December. Lord willing we'll get a permit for this mall.

SDSU... We are planning on going each week until school is out for the holidays.

May God bless your efforts to serve Him,

Jerry and Dianna