

How to approach someone in Royce Bell's "One Shot" Bible Approach.

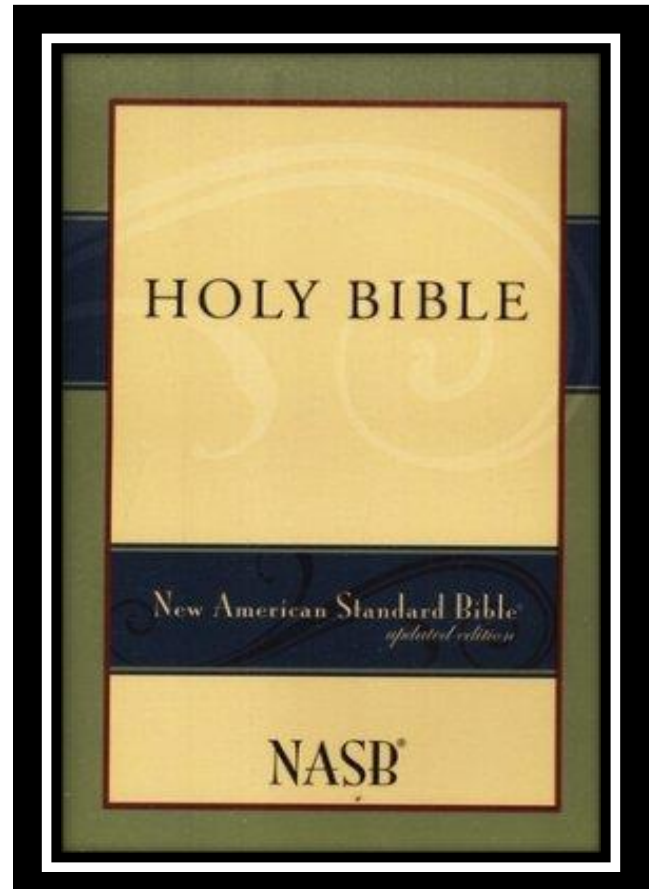
Find good locations like at high traffic bus stops, flea markets, college campuses, town areas, even door knocking in accessible neighborhoods. Anywhere with lots of foot traffic, this approach can be used. Royce uses a small pop up tent, a folding table and some banners at his canvassing area. He sets this up at a busy bus stop area or at a college, with good results. Royce set's his tent up in public property areas or in a place that allows such. Another means to do this is to have back packs with the evangelism materials inside for group to pass out.

Have an easy to understand Bible to pass out. Royce Bell uses a paper back, inexpensive updated [NASV](#). This Bible has good detailing resources inside. It's easy to read and visually appealing. He has content to glue and stuff in the Bibles. See

www.churchofchristevangelism.com for materials to use. The glue is [Scotch Clear Glue Two Way Applicator](#).

Makes gluing the pages easier. The resource Bible material is really good for sharing salvation and the truth about the church. Having this in the Bible to further better share Christ makes a difference. Just Glue on the Bible's first opening page, on the paper's side, from top to bottom, the pages that say the, "Sinners Prayer is a Lie," and in the middle of the Bible in the Old Testament/New Testament page of the Bible, glue from top to bottom on the Bible page, the pages "What must I do to be saved?" And on the paper's side on the back of the end cover of the Bible, Glue "introducing ourselves we are the church of Christ." Use Adobe's PDF editor or the like to remove info and to add your church contact info and other materials.

Once you have a good location and have the materials do the following steps. While working with preachers and their wives, I saw and heard a lot of useful approaches. Bobbi-Jo Triplett to see if someone is interested in a discussion simply asks "do you want a Bible study with me?" Make it personal, always have with me, so it's not just a no but a rejection. People are less likely to say no, if you make it connective and personal. Another person, Dana Wistler, asks "can I have 30 seconds" or "a few moments of your time?" Royce Bell with handout Bibles made and one in hand asks a person "do you read your Bible?" And from whatever they say in response, Royce offers them a Bible in discussion and uses this as a means to start talking about the Word. The below dialogue method can be used



without a Bible, can use the openers already mentioned above or use such phrases as “would you like to talk about spiritual things,” etc. to begin a discussion with these below key points. Though the Bible method is very effective, you may not always have one with you or may be in some social family environment, etc, where a different approach might be better applied.

Below are the steps I personally use in approaching people; Takes me 40 seconds to a minute sharing this approach with people. I incorporate “are you a good person?” narrative Royce showed me. See the other article. And keep the delivery short and simple. The below invite can be done without a Bible, if in social settings with friends, family, etc, simply start the process at the end of 3. And ask, “can I have a few moments of your time to talk about spiritual things?” or the like.

Steps:

1. *Humbly, and meekly come up and ask, “Let me ask you a question? Do you read your Bible?” They will either say yes, or no, or the like. This is a platform to opening up dialogue.*
2. *From this you ask “we have a really great Bible, would you like one?” Have one in hand. Describe the Bible that it’s easy to understand, not like the King James, with Thee’s and Thou’s.*
3. *If they have replied to your question about reading the Bible, they may accept this gift you are giving them. Whether they take the Bible or not, you can ask, “can I have a few moments of your time to talk about spiritual things?” (#See last page for more details)*
4. *If they say yes, then...ask the following question statements. (Have verses memorized) And delivery...suit to your own style and wording. This is what is effective for me.*

A. You know when we lie, we are liars, when we lust the Bible says we commit adultery, when we take things from others it’s called theft, when we curse, we blaspheme God. So we are thieves, we are liars, we are adulterers, we are blasphemers. Sin is a serious thing.

B. So we have these horrible things, these sins. That has separated us from God. All have sinned...says in Romans 3:23 quote. And that separates us from God. Quote Romans 6:23. That means we are spiritually separated from God. We can’t have a relationship with Him. “Course you know John 3:16.” God loved us enough to send us His son, to die for us. Quote verse.

C. So we got to do our part, with what Jesus did for us. Says in Gal 3:26-27 that those who have been baptized into Christ have clothed themselves with Christ, and can rise up to live a new life, (Col 2:12). And in Acts chapter 22:16, it says arise and be baptized and wash your sins away...we need to be baptized to be a new person, to have a new life with Jesus, and to have our sins washed removed. Acts 2:38 says we need to be baptized for the forgiveness of our sins. (Then Quote verse, emphasis the word, repent as well.)

D. Then ask “My question to you is would you like to be baptized? And to have this happen to you, to have this happen, to have your sins forgiven and washed away?”

If they say yes, then you have two options 1. Preferred option, say "Great! Our church is nearby, we can baptize you today." Offer to drive or give church card with address, or just address. And let them know you'll need to talk with them more to prepare them for baptism. (AKA Royce Bell's 2 lesson plan on salvation and worship or my 3 card approach, at the building.) This will have them count the cost, further learn about and enforce the need for salvation, ground them in Bible authority and the true church. This will also teach them their responsibilities in this regard as well, in attendance, correct worship, faithful obedience, etc. I will talk more on this below on why it is good to do this immediately, Bible verses connected to this reason and what should follow.

2. Second option, say "Great! If you give us your contact information, we will get back with you, to talk more on this, to get you ready to be baptized. And to help you get baptized." If they say yes, you give them a contact info chart to fill out, with their full name, cell and if can email/address. DO this to contact them for a Bible study at the church and to get them saved. The details are on the website: [www.churchofchristevangelism .com](http://www.churchofchristevangelism.com)

Why you should strike while the iron is hot. Bible examples from Cornelius, the Philippian Jailer, the unsaved at Pentecost, the Ethiopian Eunuch, all show they shared Christ and saved people. They did not have 3-4, one hour Bible studies first, stretching over a period of time. Give the devil too much time to mess with people and steal the Word, as the Parable of the Seeds talks about, and he will (Mark 4:15).

One can share sin, a need for a Savior and salvation AND give grounding materials on the same day. As the plan of salvation can be 2 minutes, so can the grounding factors and the call to count the cost and give one's whole self to a committed life in His service. My 3 card approach is short, (See [www.churchofchristevangelism .com](http://www.churchofchristevangelism.com).) Yet gives what is necessary in presentation.

Also, further Bible studies should be brought up as important and set up, after the baptism. Talk with them and let them know you'd like to further study with them to help their walk with Christ.

Psychologically: Saying yes to baptism is an investment, doing a "baptism preparation" study is an investment, making the commitments in the study is an investment, getting baptized is an investment, agreeing to study more to help themselves in their walk with Christ, is an investment. The more they emotionally invest, the more committed they become.

After the baptism, while they are at the church, I personally also give the Mike Shank's book "The Muscle and the Shovel," to further help ground them. And emphasis the importance of read the material.

If people say they already have a Bible, you can still use the phrase "do you read your Bible?" as an opener to begin a discussion with them on spiritual things. It's still a effective opener to give the 1 Shot/2 Minute Bible approach, after asking if they have a few moments to talk about spiritual things.