



**November 14 and 17**  
**Share the Reason for Our Hope**  
**Randy Larson**

**PRIMARY SCRIPTURE:**

1Peter 3:15

**SECONDARY SCRIPTURE:**

Matthew 28:19-20

Acts 1:8

2 Corinthians 5:18,20

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1. In the sermon this week, Randy mention a few different evangelism (sharing the good news) philosophies that churches have used over the years. What different approaches have you seen Christians use? Which approaches were effective and which ones were not?
2. Discovery's leadership recently made the decision to add a third phrase to our mission statement. So, it now reads, "We exist to Love God, Serve Others, and Share the Reason for Our Hope." Why do you think they felt the need to add it?
3. 2 Corinthians 5:18,20, Matthew 28, and Acts , tell us that we are ambassadors of Christ and the church has a responsibility to spread the good news of Jesus to the ends of the earth. Although this is a clear directive, many Christians opt out of their responsibility. Why do you think this is?
4. Randy mentioned that for centuries, the church used an open-air preaching strategy in order to "spread the reason for our hope." Most churches have abandoned that philosophy, why do you think that is?
5. Randy mentioned that Discovery's "Share the Reason for Our Hope" philosophy is invitational and relational. What is required for this approach to be effective?
6. What role do you play in Discovery's evangelism strategy?