

FIRE STARTER – The Evangelism Series #1

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I. Fire - Beneficial and Destructive

A. Benefits of fire:

1. Light - Provides light for direction
2. Heat - Provides heat to stay warm in the cold or serves as a purifier to add value

B. Destructive - Heat of a fire can destroy or consume something

C. Types of Fires:

1. Controlled or Contained Fires (burns)
2. Wildfires - A sweeping and destructive fire especially in a wilderness or a rural area.

D. “Fire Triangle” - 3 components to Wild fires

1. Heat Source - Sun, lightening, match;
2. Fuel - Grasses, Trees, leaves, debris, etc.
3. Oxygen - Through wind more oxygen is supplied and may help spread the flames.

II. Heat Source - Source of our fire

A. Matt 3:11-12

1. Baptize - *baptizo* - To immerse, to dip in completely or under; overwhelm or flood
2. Repentance - *metanoia* - To change one's way of life as a result of a complete change of thought and attitude.
 - a) *meta* - In the middle of
 - b) *noeo* - To direct one's mind to; to think or reason
3. Holy Spirit - *pneuma* - Current of air; breath, wind, spirit
4. Fire - *pyr* - Fire in its forms and uses; e.g., for lighting and heating.

B. Purpose of God baptizing or immersing us in FIRE?

1. Light - Direction - To see our way out of darkness
 - a) Mic 7:8 8 Do not rejoice over me, my enemy; When I fall, I will arise; When I sit in darkness, The Lord will be a light to me.
 - b) Matt 5:14-16 - You are the light of the world
2. Heat - Value
 - a) 1 Peter 1:7 - Faith tested by fire

C. 2018 NY Times: “Behind Most Wildfires, a Person and a Spark: ‘We Bring Fire With Us’”

