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"OH NO, HERE THEY COME ... SHOULD I SAY SOMETHING? NAH, I COULDN'T ... BUT I HAVE TO! 'HEY, UHHH, HOW'S IT GOING?'"

Have you ever completely blown it trying to start a conversation with someone? You know you pop out with something lame like, "Arrrhh, who goes there!" or "So, I see you've been shopping at the Australian Sheepskin Company."

I think we all have, but realize that in order to kick off a conversation, you have to release air from your lungs and project sounds out of your mouth ... **JUST SAY SOMETHING!** We call this concept of making contact with a person, an attempt to **engage**.

It sounds simple enough. You walk up and say hi to someone, right? Well, not exactly. You will find that there are a few other things involved when engaging someone than just saying the word "hi." That's why we want to set you up with some pointers that will prepare you to step out of your comfort zone and engage someone in some life-altering interaction!

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WHEN GETTING THE CONVERSATION GOING, YOU WILL NEED SOMETHING CATCHY OR INVITING TO SAY TO THEM. HERE ARE A FEW SAMPLE "CONVO-STARTERS" AND DON'T TAKE THEM ALL TOO SERIOUSLY ...

//LINES THAT ARE STREET READY:

- Hey, how are you doing? (It sounds simple, but it works.)
- Do you go to church around here?
- How's it going? I'm out here with my youth group and I wanted to personally invite you out to our church!
- I would like to invite you to: [name of event]
- Hey ... is there something I can pray for you about?
- Hey, can I share Jesus Christ with you?

//LINES YOU DON'T WANT TO BE CAUGHT USING:

- So when's your due date? "
- Hi, I am not part of a cult.
- So, you come here often? (Asked while in the restroom)
- I've been praying for someone like you all my Life!
- You must know God, 'cause you look like an angel.
- Hey man, that's a cool blanket! Have you been invited out to our event?
- If life was a soccer ball, I'd kick it with you.

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