



# Risk Takers

**Where are we headed this morning?**

**Fact**

**Evangelism is on the decline.**

**Two Truths Regarding Evangelism**

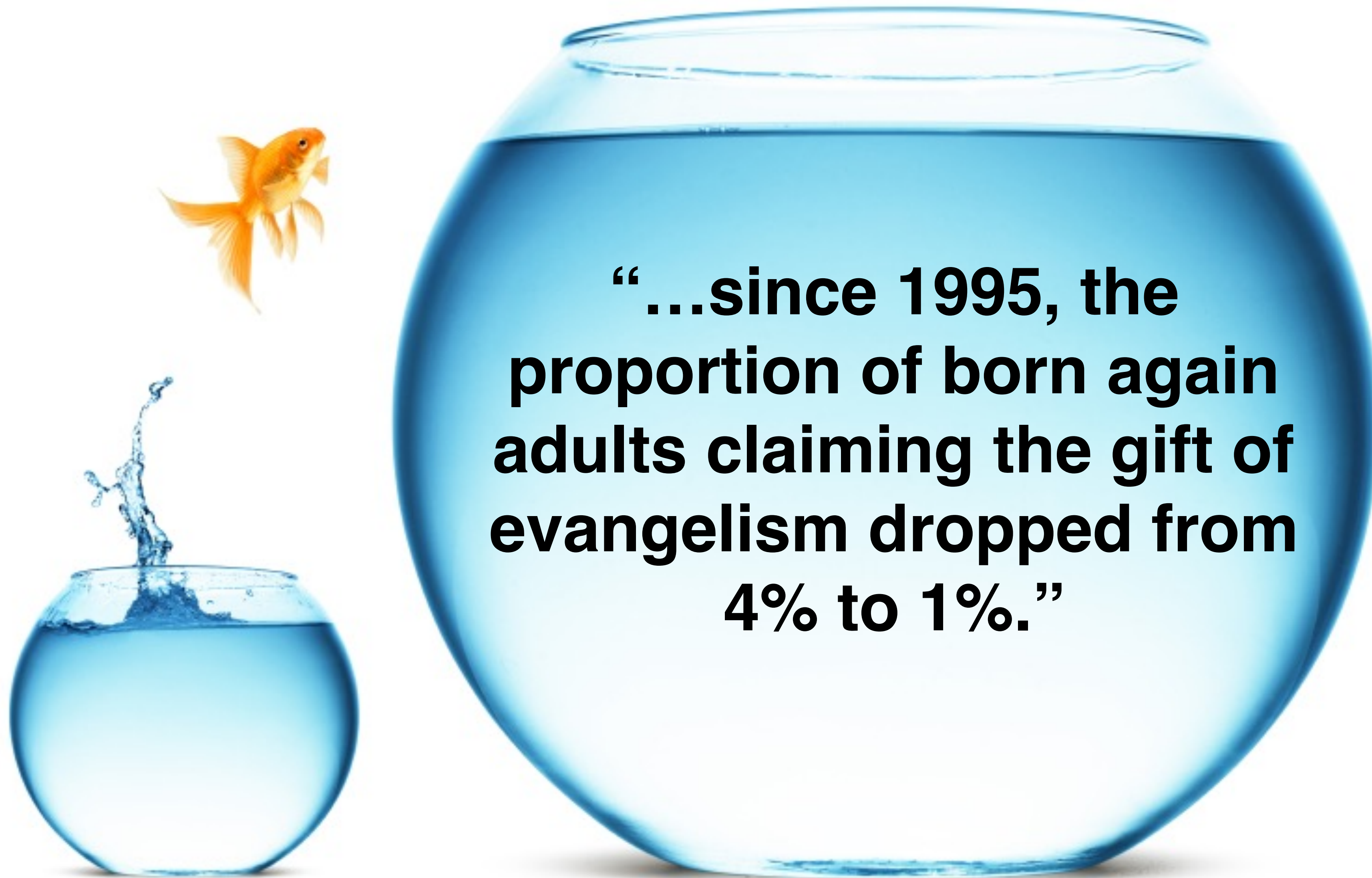
**1 What Jesus expects from His followers.**

**2 What Jesus provides for His followers.**



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**“...since 1995, the  
proportion of born again  
adults claiming the gift of  
evangelism dropped from  
4% to 1%.”**

Every believer must be released

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**Evangelism**



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***35 Again the next day John was standing with two of his disciples,***

***36 and he looked at Jesus as He walked, and \*said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!”***

***37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.***

***38 And Jesus turned and saw them following, and \*said to them, “What do you seek?” They said to Him, “Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are You staying?”***

***39 He said to them, “Come, and you will see.” So they came and saw where He was staying; and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.***

***40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.***

***41 He found first his own brother Simon and \*said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which translated means Christ).***

***42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter). (John 1:35-42 NASB)***

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***16 As He was going along by the Sea of Galilee,  
He saw Simon and Andrew, the brother of Simon,  
casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen.  
17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow Me, and I will  
make you become fishers of men.”  
18 Immediately they left their nets and followed  
Him. (Mark 1:16-18 NASB)***



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***13 And He went up on the mountain and  
summoned those whom He Himself wanted, and  
they came to Him.***

***14 And He appointed twelve, so that they would be  
with Him and that He could send them out to  
preach,***

***15 and to have authority to cast out the demons.***

***16 And He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom  
He gave the name Peter), (Mark 3:13-16 NASB)***



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*What Jesus provides for His followers.*

*Regarding Evangelism...*

*...every believer has these four truths:*



***The Authority of God: Matt. 28:16-20***

***The Power of God: Acts 1:8***

***The Mind of God: 1 Cor. 2:16***

***The Words of God:***



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***The Words of God:***

***Matt. 10:16-20 - The Father gives the words.***

***Mark 13:9-11 - The Spirit gives the words.***

***Luke 21:12-15 - The Son gives the words.***



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