

C. Misperception of How Most People Come to Christ.
(Suggested teaching time: 10 minutes)

1. **Over 85% of people come to Christ via relationship.**
 - We tend to think that most people come to Christ in public services or through big meetings.
 - The surprising truth is that out of all people who come to Christ, 85% will do so through the influence of a friend or relative!

2. **Non-clergy have the greatest evangelistic potential.**
 - This means that typical Christians (not clergy) have the greatest potential for reaching people for Christ.
 - God wants to use lay people to reach the lost as much or more than evangelists or pastors.
 - Most non-Christians can relate to and receive input from non-clergy more easily than from clergy.

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Group Application

How did you come to Christ?			1-4
Major Influence	Worldwide Statistics	Our Group	
Mass meeting	2 – 4 %	_____	
Media (T.V., radio, print)	2 – 4 %	_____	
Church service	10 – 12 %	_____	
Friend or relative	85 %	_____	
Other	1 %	_____	

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Survey the group to see what the main influence was on how they came to Christ. Compare this to statistics.

Point to Ponder

Our misperceptions of how most people actually come to Christ discourages us from being active in evangelism. Realizing that 85% of people who become Christians do so through a friend or relative will hopefully help us get a new perception of evangelism.