

Dawah 101

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The DAWAH Attitude

- “I only want rectification as much as I can”
Prophet Shu’ayb
 - No perfectionism in dawah!!
- “Oh my father, I fear that a torment from Allah will touch you” *Prophet Ibrahim*
 - Sense of concern for others!
- “If I sleep during the day, I lose my flock! If I sleep at night, I lose myself” *Omar bin al-Khattab*
 - A sense of responsibility

What's in it for me??

- “If Allah guides one person at your hand, it's better for you than the whole world!”
 - Is dawah on your top-priority list?
- “People enter in the religion of Allah in flocks”

What if people don't listen?

- The Hadith of the 70,000

Methods of Dawah?

- Going on the path
- Good behavior
- Wisdom, good admonition, conversations
- Stating that I am a Muslim!!

Dawah Priorities

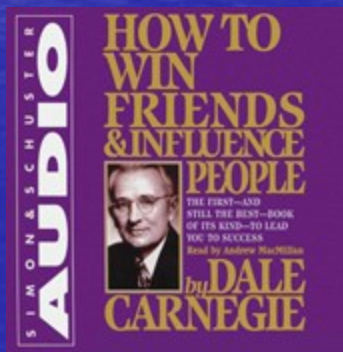
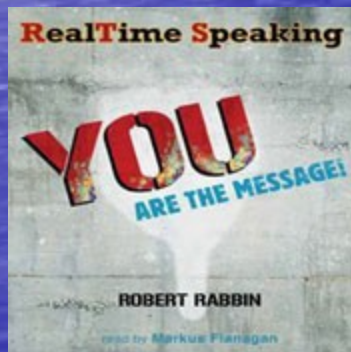
- Tawheed → 5 daily prayers → Zakat
- God exists → There is only one Creator → Only Allah is worthy of worship → Allah has unique Names and Attributes
- ◇ Find a common ground and start from there!

Be up-to-date on FAQ

- Who is Allah? Is he an idol that Muslims worship?
- Does Islam mean peace?
<http://bayareadawah.org/Site/new/meaningofislam.html>
- Is Islam a new religion?
- Does Islam value life?
<http://bayareadawah.org/Site/new/lifevalue.html>
- Did Muhammad learn from Jews and Christians?
<http://bayareadawah.org/Site/new/doubt1.htm>
- The Quran was not collected at the time of the Prophet!
<http://bayareadawah.org/Site/new/uthmanquran.html>

People Skills

- Get some training
- Invest in some good books on the topic:



Public Speaking

- Be authentic
- Don't use notes if you can!!!
- Use short sentences ... get to the point
- Have an outline in mind
- Practice makes perfect
- Don't sound like you're preaching!