



The first and most important

thing to remember is that we do not bring anyone into the Church – its not our job. We do not attract people to the faith, we do not convince people of the Truth, we don't do any of that. **God is the One Who attracts people, Who brings them in the door, Who convicts their hearts, Who brings them to repentance, Who convinces them of the Truth!** 

We do none of this.

Too often the individual person is made responsible for doing God's task, but in attempting to do God's work, he neglects his own!! What is our task? Our task is the acquisition of the Holy Spirit (St. Seraphim), our task is the working out of our salvation, our task is to repent and weep for our sins, our task is to enter the Kingdom of God. This more than anything else is what we must do. This is an evangelistic task - indeed the primary evangelistic task.

There are other "tasks", however, which derive from this one which are a bit more specific to "evangelism". It is God who brings people to the door of the Church and who convinces them that they should enter - <u>however</u>, we must keep the door to the Church open and visible!!! ( $\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\sigma\sigma\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha...$ )