

Snyder Chalk Talk Ministries

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About A Snyder Chalk Talk

What is the fee? . . . We are two people that love the Lord with all their heart and endeavor to share His love in presenting the Gospel through Chalk Talk. **This is our livelihood.** We do not set a fee for our services, a gift of love for the cost of materials, time, and travel allows this ministry to continue. ***Some give an honorarium, others take a love offering, frequently many do both.*** We leave you with a message, a memory, and a picture. On average, 6 - 8 hours is invested into your presentation. ***Please consider: 1 Corinthians 9:14 "...the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel."***

Preparations . . . Before we even arrive, up to 4 hours are spent in drawing preparation. Then we have travel to and from your event. The set-up and break down which is about an hour for each. Therefore an average 6 - 8 hours of preparation goes into each 50 to 60 minute presentation. Because of our time invested in the preparation, we ask a little extra special attention to several aspects in your control. These relate to darkness and seating which we explain below.

Setting up the room . . . We require an area about 12 feet by 12 feet for our equipment. We bring our own sound system and lighting, so one electrical outlet near the presentation area is necessary. The optimum view for the audience is from the right side of the room facing our equipment, as James is right handed and therefore partially blocks the left side of the board while he draws. This is important because James can relax while he draws if he feels everyone can see well. Distance makes the picture, the more space you can put between James and the viewers the better.

Understanding the darkness . . . To serve the Lord through this ministry to the best of our ability, the room must be **completely DARK**. We ask that the **HOST** make the room dark using **heavy grade/non-translucent** lawn and garden or contractors type garbage bags to completely cover windows. Black fabric does not block out enough light, nor do curtains as they leave in light at top, bottom and sides. Optimum darkness is achieved when you are no longer able to make out the room when the lights are out. We can do this for you if arrangements are made ahead of time. An average room can take upwards from 30 minutes to darken in addition to the normal set up time. The same amount of time is also required to break down the room after the presentation.

Presentation . . . James opens with an explanation of the origin of chalk talk, how we present, and an opening comment of 2 - 5 minutes in length. Then James will draw for approximately 20 - 25 minutes while Christian music tells the story. James will have a closing message of about 10 - 15 minutes which usually includes one last song to ponder while the picture is transformed with light and the Salvation Invitation is offered. Flash photography is **prohibited** during the presentation; as flash greatly diminishes the impact of the message.

What happens to the picture? . . . James will sign and date the picture, then remove it off his board and leave it with you. In order to preserve the picture, several light coats of an inexpensive fixative will preserve the chalk from flaking off, however it will darken the picture. A more permanent way to preserve the picture is to have it framed and matted under **plate (NON-UV protectant)** glass.