

How to Share Your Faith Story

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.” 1 Peter 3:15

Writing your testimony:

Ask the Lord to give you wisdom and guidance as you write (James 1:5-6).

Follow a 3-point outline (see example on page 2).

Begin with an interesting, attention-getting sentence and close with a good conclusion.

Write in such a way that others will feel associated with you in past and present experiences.

Give enough details to arouse interest.

Use at least one, but at the most two, Scripture verses.

Rewrite as necessary before final draft.

Choose something characteristic of your experience that is of general interest to non-Christians. Build testimony around a theme.

Emphasize the fact that the thing that made the difference in your life was accepting Christ as Savior and making Him Lord and Master of your life.

Do not be concerned that your testimony be exciting, just that it be interesting.

Be realistic. Christ does not eliminate all the problems of life but enables you to live them out with peace and confidence.

Be positive from start to finish.

Things to avoid:

Making statements, which reflect negatively on the church and/or other organizations or people.

Preaching at people.

Using words that are meaningless to non-Christians (i.e.: saved, glorious, Hallelujah).

Being long-winded and using unnecessary words.

Sharing anything that really should not be shared.

Testimony Worksheet:

It should be our desire to present Christ in such a clear, attractive yet simple way, that those who hear will not only want to know Him, but also know “how” to know Him personally.

Pertinent or favorite verse to use in testimony:

1. My life before knowing Christ (before I received Christ I lived and thought this way):

2. How I came to know Christ:

3. My life after I came to know Christ (what difference did it make, what changes took place):