
How to Write & Share Your Testimony

There are many great ways to share the gospel with others. The goal is to train - practice, drill, and rehearse the one you like best until it becomes second nature and natural to you. Make it your own and then learn another. It's always good to have a shorter version (think 2 - minute elevator pitch,) a medium version (think 10 -15 minute) and then a long version (think 30 - minute conversation over coffee with questions, etc.) *"Any method of evangelism will work if God is in it." - Leonard Ravenhill*

A great first step for any believer to share their faith with others is to be able to articulate their own salvation story clearly and succinctly. Most new Christians are so excited about what Jesus has done for them they tell everyone about the good news with excitement and without hesitation.

For those who are reserved about sharing their faith, do not to worry about having all the answers or worried about if they will ask you questions you can't answer. You can always find good answers from a Christian friend or pastor, and there are some great online resources, as well, beginning with www.gotquestions.org. You are simply telling them your story, and they can't really deny or argue how Jesus has changed and transformed you.

You can develop your testimony in three simple steps. Write down your answers in this simple guide, and you will be able to tell your story in an easy and effective way. Try and limit your answers to 2-3 sentences, and you can add Bible verses if you'd like. The phrase in bold is for a one-sentence answer. Review it enough to know it by heart and say it with ease and confidence:

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- Three-sentence answer:

Step Two - Meeting Jesus: When and how did you get saved? Why did you decide to trust Christ?

- One-sentence answer: "And then I met Jesus... (Example) *my dad took me to church when I was 10, I heard the gospel and gave my life to Christ.*"
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Step Three - Life After Jesus: What is your life like now as a Christian? (Your answer will typically be the opposite of your step one answers).

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