



Sharing Your Faith in Practical Ways

One of the most nerve-racking things for most Christians is learning to share their faith with other individuals. God has called us to share our faith with the world around us and be the “salt and light” in a very practical way to a world that is stuck in darkness. Consider the words of Jesus as He states,

Matthew 5:14-16 – ¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

We observe that Jesus calls us to be the “light of the world” and we can do this by letting our light shine brightly for the world to see. As we choose to let our light shine then others will begin noticing the difference in our life, prayerfully seek out the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ, and give glory to God!

The big question for most Christians is simple,

How can I practically share my faith?

This booklet provides three methods to answer this question. It is designed to help you learn how to start an evangelistic conversation and share your faith with those around you.

Method #1 – Meet People Where They Are At

This is an obvious method but so often it is overlooked. Meeting people where they are at means that we simply find out what is going on in their lives and share the Gospel with them ways that they can readily understand and relate to at that moment. We observe the example of Jesus with the woman at the well.

John 4:7-15,25-26 (NASB) – ⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.” ⁸For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. ⁹Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, “How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.” ¹¹She said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? ¹²” You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?” ¹³Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.” ¹⁵The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw.” ²⁵The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us.” ²⁶Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am *He*.”

Meeting people right where they are at is essential in sharing the Gospel with neighbors, friends, family, and strangers. Try this method by beginning with this approach...

Hi, I am _____ and I am part of a group of churches that are walking through the community and praying for our neighbors...

How can I pray for you?

Make sure to pray with them at that moment!

Method #2 – Question and Answer

The second method that Jesus would use in sharing the “Good News” with other people is the “Question and Answer” approach to sharing the Gospel. This can be very subtle question and

answer time that can cut to the heart of each individual as we observe in the example of Jesus and the young man as found in Matthew 19.

Matthew 19:16-22 (NASB) – ¹⁶And someone came to Him and said, “Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may obtain eternal life?” ¹⁷And He said to him, “Why are you asking Me about what is good? There is *only* One who is good; but if you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.” ¹⁸Then he said to Him, “Which ones?” And Jesus said, “YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER; YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY; YOU SHALL NOT STEAL; YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS; ¹⁹HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER; and YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.” ²⁰The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept; what am I still lacking?” ²¹Jesus said to him, “If you wish to be complete, go *and* sell your possessions and give to *the* poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” ²²But when the young man heard this statement, he went away grieving; for he was one who owned much property.

We observe that Jesus did not worry about making the Gospel acceptable to the young man rather He was more concerned about presenting the truth so that the young man could wrestle with this truth. Sadly, we observe that the young man walked away from the invitation without professing faith in Jesus Christ and in turn he would incur a greater cost for eternity.

Try this method by beginning with this approach...

Hi, I am _____ and I am part of a group of churches that are walking through the community and praying for our neighbors...

What are ways that we could pray for the community?

What are ways that we as a church could help you or the community?

Make sure to pray with them at that moment!

Method #3 – The Testimony

The final method that we examine is found in the example of Jesus in John chapter five. It is within these verses that we observe Jesus begin to share the different testimonies about His nature, His love, and His identity. It is the method of “Testimony.” As a Christian each one of us has been given the greatest testimony in the world in Jesus Christ. Share the testimony of Christ and how He has changed your life to others.

John 5:31-47(NASB) – ³¹"If I alone testify about Myself, My testimony is not true. ³²"There is another who testifies of Me, and I know that the testimony which He gives about Me is true. ³³"You have sent to John, and he has testified to the truth. ³⁴"But the testimony which I receive is not from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. ³⁵"He was the lamp that was burning and was shining and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. ³⁶"But the testimony which I have is greater than the testimony of John; for the works which the Father has given Me to accomplish--the very works that I do--testify about Me, that the Father has sent Me. ³⁷"And the Father who sent Me, He has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His form. ³⁸"You do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe Him whom He sent. ³⁹"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me; ⁴⁰and you are unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life. ⁴¹"I do not receive glory from men; ⁴²but I know you, that you do not have the love of God in yourselves. ⁴³"I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, you will receive him. ⁴⁴"How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and you do not seek the glory that is from the one and only God? ⁴⁵"Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; the one who accuses you is Moses, in whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶"For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me, for he wrote about Me. ⁴⁷"But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"

Try this method by beginning with this approach...

Hi, I am _____ and I am part of a group of churches that are walking through the community and praying for our neighbors and I just want to tell you about how Christ has worked in my life...

Keep your testimony to 3 minutes or less and pray for them!

"It is not our business to make the message acceptable, but to make it available. We are not to see that they like it, but that they get it." - Vance Havner

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