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## Your Salvation Testimony



### Scripture

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.  
- Revelation 12:11a

For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. - Revelation 19:10

One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. - John 1:40-42



### Description

Sharing what Jesus has done in your life is a powerful way to preach the gospel. You are the only Jesus people may ever meet and the only Bible that they may ever read. No one can argue with your experience. When you share what Jesus has done in your life it gives others hope for what He could do in their life! It's important that we are able to share briefly and also keep the conversation going by asking the other person questions after we share.

When sharing your salvation testimony think about what your life was like before Jesus, how you got saved, and what your life has been like after you accepted Jesus. If you don't remember what your life was like before Jesus because you have known Him as long as you can remember, that is a powerful testimony in and of itself. If you had a time where you fell away and rededicated your life you can also share about that experience.



### Activation 1 (15 Second Testimony)

- Fill out the blanks in one of the sections on the next page and practice sharing this out loud with several people. You can use different words depending on who you talk to. Keep it VERY brief. Make sure to ask the person you are talking to if they have a story like this and listen to what they say.
- "There was a time in my life when I (2 words that describe your life before Jesus)"
- "Then I surrendered my life to Jesus"
  - (If you are in a pagan society you can add "And made him my one and only God.")
- "Now I (2 words that describe what your life has been like after Jesus)"
- Ask the other person, "Do you have a story like that?" Listen to what they say and continue the conversation.

### Activation 2 (1 - 3 Minute Testimony)

- Find a partner and practice sharing your testimony with them, using a few more details, in 1-3 minutes. If it helps, you can write out your testimony in a couple paragraphs first.



### Application

Know your testimony and be ready to share it and a gospel message. Assume that people will want to hear it and that they will be open to receiving the Lord. Be prepared to adjust what you share and how you share it depending on your audience and how much time you have. Ask the Lord to show you who you can share your salvation testimony with this week.

## A Simple Way to Share the Gospel



### LOVE

**Say:** "God loves us and wants us to be with Him."

**Action:** Hug yourself.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. - John 3:16

*\* This is important to start with love and establish that God is a good, loving God.*



### SIN

**Say:** "When we do bad things, we walk away from God."

**Action:** Put your hand out and look away, like you are rejecting someone.

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. - Romans 3:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Romans 6:23

*\* This is important because it shows the problem we have and also that we are the ones who are rejecting God because of our choices. We don't necessarily have to use the word, "sin" but can talk about doing bad things.*



### GIFT

**Say:** "Jesus, God's son, lived a perfect life, died on the cross, and rose from the dead to pay for all the bad things we have done."

**Action:** Put your hands out like Jesus dying on the cross.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9

*\* This is important because we cannot work hard enough to save ourselves because we are not perfect, but Jesus was. Also it is important to say that Jesus rose from the dead because that is why He has the power to save us.*



### CHOICE

**Say:** "This leaves us with a choice. We can either reject what Jesus has done and stay separated from God forever. Or we can accept what Jesus has done, turn away from the bad things we have done, and make Jesus our one and only God. Would you like to do that right now?"

**Action:** Put your hand on your chin and make a face like you are making a big decision.

That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. - Romans 10:9-10

*\* This is important because it shows us we are responsible to make a choice. It also talks about repentance (turning away from the bad we have done) and surrendering our lives to Jesus (making Him our only God). You can also say that if we are separated from God forever the Bible says that we will go to hell but if we surrender our lives to Him we will not only go to heaven when we die but experience eternal life right now. It is good to talk about rejecting first and accepting second and make sure to ask the person if they want to do this right now.*



## Prayer For Salvation



### Scripture

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### Description

After we share the gospel and people are ready to receive Jesus, we get to pray with them to invite the Lord into their life and help them know how to live for Him. We can use the same way that we shared the gospel with a person to pray with them.



### Activation 1

- Read the next page. Speak the “say” sections out loud and do the actions with them.

### Activation 2

- Practice leading a partner to the Lord by having them repeat the phrases after you. Make sure to give them short phrases to say and then wait for them to say them out loud.

### Activation 3

- Have a partner repeat a salvation prayer after you, using your own words
- Here are some more sample prayers you can use:
  - **Super Simple Prayer:** “Lord save me, forgive me, heal me, and fill me!”
  - **Prayer for Salvation:** “Jesus, I believe that you died on the cross for my sins and then rose from the dead. I receive your forgiveness and ask you to be the Lord of my life. Thank you that I am now a child of God! Please help me to live for you, all of my days.”

### Activation 4

- Practice adding in a prayer for forgiveness and/or the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Have your partner repeat, out loud, after you.
- **Prayer for Forgiveness** (which will bring deliverance)
  - “Lord I choose to forgive all those who have hurt me (including myself) and declare mercy over their lives. I release them from all of their sin.” (If there are other areas of addiction or pain that person is in they can pray at salvation to release those things to the Lord.)
- **Baptism of Holy Spirit:** “Holy Spirit, I ask You to come in power and fill me right now.”



### Application

When we can be our authentic selves and be confident in our ability to share the gospel with others, then as the Lord leads we will be excited about opportunities to share the good news of Jesus. If we have an idea of where we can take a conversation when someone is ready to receive the Lord, we can be more comfortable and present to focus on loving the person in front of us.

## A Simple Salvation Prayer



### **LOVE - Thank**

**Say: "THANK YOU God that You love me."**

**Action:** Hug yourself.



### **SIN - Admitt**

**Say: "I ADMIT that I have walked away from You."**

**Action:** Put your hand out, and even look away, like you are rejecting someone.



### **GIFT - Believe**

**Say: "I BELIEVE, Jesus, that you died on the cross and rose from the dead for me."**

**Action:** Put your hands out like Jesus dying on the cross.



### **CHOICE - Choose**

**Say: "I CHOOSE to turn away from the bad things I've done and make You my God."**

**Action:** Put your hand on your chin and make a face like you are making a big decision.

## A Couple Extra Items You Can Pray

### **FORGIVE**

**Say: "I forgive all those who have hurt me."**

### **FILL**

**Say: "Holy Spirit, fill me now."**

## Four Ways to Grow



### **PRAY**

Say: "Prayer is talking to God. Listen for God to talk back to you and follow His leading."

Action: Hands together, praying.



### **BIBLE**

Say: "Get a Bible and read it regularly. A good place to start is in the book of Mark."

Action: Hands together, palms up, like a book.



### **CHURCH**

Say: "Go to a local church that preaches Jesus and fellowship with other believers."

Action: Shaking hands to show connection with other people.



### **SHARE**

Say: "Tell others about Jesus and what He has done for you. You can also do what Jesus did by loving people, healing the sick, etc."

Action: Hands by your mouth as if you are announcing something.