

PRACTICAL STUFF TO AID IN YOUR ONE ON ONE WITNESSING.

There are many things you can do to “hone up” and be ready to be an effective witness. They are listed here, not necessarily in order of importance.

1. Prepare your personal witness story.

A great way to open the communications with a lost person when going door to door is to tell them what Jesus did for you, personally. After all, if you are saved, you know how you got that way. If someone does not know how to explain how they were saved, I would doubt they are saved.

Many refer to this “telling what Jesus did for you” as a personal testimony. Remember, your personal testimony does not have to be dramatic. It can be, but does not have to be. If you were saved from a life of drugs, alcohol, or gambling, by all means tell your story. But if you were raised in church, never dabbled in drugs or the like, and were saved at an early age, TELL YOUR STORY. God will use any testimony. A personal testimony of being brought up in a Christian home is just as good as any other. We bring this up because many think if there is not some huge dramatic story in the testimony, it is not as good. Friend, listen, that is a lie from the devil himself. Tell what Jesus did for you. Period. Your testimony is effective because it is a personal story, but it only has authority when it is lined up with the Bible.

When telling “your story, make sure you emphasize Jesus and the Bible more than yourself. I once listened to the “personal testimony” of a young man that went on for 45 minutes. He told his entire life story, but never mentioned Jesus or the Bible! Giving a testimony is NOT sharing your life story. It is telling the Story of Jesus and how HIS story affected your life. Your purpose is to glorify Jesus to a lost person, using the Bible to show them the gospel.

2. Go with someone else.

Lu 10:1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.

There are quite a few benefits to going door to door with a partner. One, there is the accountability factor. If you schedule a time to go with someone else witnessing, then you have that person to hold you accountable. The “lone ranger” witness oft times goes riding through the wild wild west without actually getting any witnessing done. Witnessing is NOT drinking coffee with the saints, it is PREACHING JESUS TO THE SINNERS! A partner will help you stay on track.

It also gives you a prayer partner. Pray that God will fill you up (Ephesians 5:18) as you go out. Pray together that God will “clean you up” as you go out. According to Scripture, the Holy Spirit will:

a. Go ahead of us:

John 16:8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

b. Give us the power we need:

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

c. Testify

John 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

27 And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

d. Take care of harvesting

John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

3. Use a King James Bible.

In this modern day, you are telling me to use the Old Archaic King James Bible? Yes, but here is why. This not a book on manuscript evidence, accuracy of translation, or things of that nature. Rather, we will list here some practical reasons the King James Bible is advantageous in witnessing after 59 years of ministry:

1. Someone that has been exposed to many other denominations, will only listen to someone using a King James Bible.
2. Mormons will not listen to you if you do not use a King James Bible.
3. In many important passages of Scripture, the New International Versions reads just like the New World Translation of the Bible, used by the Jehovah's Witness cult.
4. Some of the key Scriptures on the blood, repentance, etc. are distorted in the New International Version, or omitted entirely.
5. The New International Version, as well as the New Holman Christian Standard (being flaunted as the "Southern Baptist Bible") mistranslates the text and calls Joseph Jesus father in Luke 2:33, supporting Unitarian doctrine, and denouncing the deity of Jesus

4. Pre-mark your Bible.

Many worry about "messing up", or leaving out a Scripture. The easy way to conquer this fear, and get used to progressively taking someone through the Bible to show them how to be saved is to pre-mark your Bible. Make yourself a Road Map.

Here is how to do it.

1. On the inside Cover: write "What do I need to do to go to heaven" - See Romans 1:16 (also put the page number Romans 1:16 is on). Underline Romans 1:16, top of page write "I can know how to get to heaven for sure". At the bottom of the page write "Go to Romans 3:23", and the page number for Romans 3:23
2. Go to Romans 3:23 and underline it. At the top of page write "Sin makes change necessary". At the bottom of the page write "Go to Romans 5:8, page ____"
3. Go to Romans 5:8 and underline it. At the top of page write, "Jesus loved us enough to die" At the bottom of page write "Go to Romans 6:23, page ____"

4. Go to Romans 6:23 and underline it. At the top of page write, "Sin wages are death but God Gives life". At the bottom of page write, "Go to Romans 10:9-13, page ____"

5. Go to Romans 10:9-13 and underline it. At the top of page write, "Confess, Repent, believe".

If possible use the Bible door to door over using a tract. Its the power of God to salvation, The Word will do the work. Reading it from a Bible is authoritative, even to a lost person. By going through the "Roman Road" in the Bible, people can see how to be saved from God's Word.