

HOW TO WITNESS & LEAD OTHERS TO CHRIST FOR SALVATION¹

1. SHOW THEM MAN'S CONDITION: ***HE'S A SINNER***. Rom 3:10, 23; 5:12; Eph. 2:1; Jer. 17:9; Gen. 6:5; Gal. 3:22; Rom. 7:18.
2. SHOW THEM MAN'S DESTINATION: ***HELL FOREVER***. Rom. 6:23; Heb. 9:27; II Thess. 1:7-9; II Pet. 2:9; Mt. 25:46; Num. 14:18; Rev. 20:15.
3. SHOW THEM MAN'S INABILITY: ***HE CAN'T GET TO HEAVEN BY HIS OWN "GOOD" WORKS***. Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5; Gal. 2:16; Heb. 9:22; Rom. 3:28; I Cor. 1:17.
4. SHOW THEM GOD'S PROVISION: ***CHRIST & HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS***. Rom. 5:8; Jn. 1:29; II Cor. 5:21; Isa. 53:4-6.
5. SHOW THEM MAN'S RESPONSIBILITY: ***HE MUST PERSONALLY REPENT OF SIN & RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS HIS LORD & SAVIOUR***. To "repent" means to have a change of mind, particularly towards *sin, self & God* (e.g. Lk. 13:3, 5; Acts 3:19; 26:19-20; I Thess. 1:9). To "believe" means to *trust in, cling to & rely solely upon* (e.g. Acts 16:31; Jn. 1:12; 3:16; Rom. 10:9, 13).
6. ***PRAY WITH THEM*** IF THEY ARE WILLING TO REPENT & RECEIVE CHRIST. Pray with them, a few words at a time, helping them to tell God "that they are a sinner and that they are on their way to hell, but that right now they are repenting of their sin and receiving Jesus Christ as their Lord & Saviour, trusting *ONLY* in Christ & His blood to wash them from their sins."
7. SHOW THEM GOD'S PROMISE: ***WHOEVER TRULY REPENTS & RECEIVES CHRIST RECEIVES ETERNAL LIFE***. e.g. Jn. 6:37, 47; I Jn. 5:11-13; Jn. 1:12, etc. After a person has prayed, ask him/her whether they just then believed/received Jesus Christ into their life? Then have them read some (or all) of the above verses. As they read them ask them to tell you what God says they have i.e. eternal life.
IMPORTANT: Personally, ***I never tell someone that they "are saved."*** People can deceive you, or even themselves. So I have them read the verses and then tell them "*I can't see your heart but God can, and if you were sincere and really it when you prayed, what does He say you have?*" If they're sincere, the Holy Spirit will take the Word of God that you share with them and give them assurance (Rom. 8:16). It's far better to let the Holy Spirit give the assurance, since He alone knows the genuineness of a person's profession.

THE "ROMAN'S ROAD" METHOD OF PRESENTING THE GOSPEL

1. Rom. 3:10, 23 - ALL ARE SINNERS.
2. Rom. 6:23a - THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH (i.e. Separation from God in Hell forever).
3. Rom. 5:12 - WE ALL NEED A SAVIOUR.
4. Rom. 6:23b - ETERNAL LIFE IS A FREE GIFT & IS FOUND *ONLY* IN CHRIST.
5. Rom. 5:8-9 - CHRIST DIED & SHED HIS BLOOD FOR OUR SINS.
6. Rom. 10:9-10, 13 - WE MUST REPENT OF OUR SINS & ASK JESUS CHRIST TO COME INTO OUR LIFE AS OUR LORD (*BOSS*) & SAVIOUR, IN ORDER TO BE SAVED.

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FOUNDATIONAL BIBLE VERSES TO MEMORIZE & USE IN EVANGELISM²

(70 verses)

Salvation by faith alone:

Eph. 2:8-9
Titus 3:5
Rom. 6:23

Who Jesus Christ is:

Jn. 1:1, 3
Jn. 1:14, 17
Col. 1:16-17
Jn. 10:11

The condition of an unsaved man or woman's heart:

Jer. 17:9-10
Heb. 4:13
Matt. 15:19
James 2:10

Marks of a Christian from I John:

I Jn. 3:9
I Jn. 5:1
I Jn. 3:14
I Jn. 2:29
I Jn. 5:4, 18

God promises to punish sin & will not ignore it:

Num. 14:18
I Jn. 4:9
I Pet. 1:16-17
Hab. 1:13a

The Deity of Christ:

Jn. 8:58
Jn. 10:30
Jn. 14:9
Heb. 1:2
Heb. 1:8

Dedication/consecration of the believer:

Rom. 12:1-2
Ps. 101:3
I Thess. 5:22
I Cor. 15:58
I Cor. 6:20

The Word of God:

Heb. 4:12
II Tim. 3:16-17
I Pet. 1:23
II Pet. 1:21
Jer. 15:16; 23:29

All men & women are sinners:

Rom. 3:23
Ezek. 18:4
Isa. 53:6
Ps. 49:7

Christ is the only way to heaven:

Acts 4:12
Jn. 14:6
Jn. 5:24
Jn. 3:36
Jn. 3:16

The necessity of repentance & true faith:

Lk. 13:3
Acts 17:30b-31
James 2:19
Acts 11:18; 16:31; 20:21

The security of the believer:

Jn. 6:37
Jn. 6:47
Rom. 8:1
II Tim. 1:12

Requirements for answered prayer:

Matt. 7:7-8
Ps. 66:18
I Thess. 5:17
James 4:3
Col. 4:2

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