

Testimony Worksheet

Why prepare a personal testimony?

2 People 3:15 says, “But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect...”

Tips:

- Pray. Ask God for wisdom in writing your testimony.
- Don't underestimate the power of your story. Some people have stories that may sound more dramatic. But God's work in your life is no less significant or special.
- Be real. Don't try to make things sound more dramatic than they are.
- If you have had a bad experience with a church or denomination, be careful of talking about that church or denomination by name. It can create unnecessary barriers to their listening to you.
- Keep it short and simple. It's a good idea to have a testimony that you can share in 30 seconds or less. (Aim for 100 words or less.)
- Use everyday language. Avoid overly religious language that most non-Christians don't understand or relate to.
- Memorize a verse to go with your testimony that speaks to how God has worked in your life.

Three questions:

- What was your life like before you became a Christian?
- When and how did you make your commitment to follow Christ?
- How is your life different because of Christ?

Or:

- Where or how have you seen God make a difference in your life? (Perhaps an area of struggle, pain, disappointment, etc.)
- How is your life different today because of how God has worked or is working in your life in this area?

The W.A.W.A. Scale – (Where are we at? Scale) Where is your friend at in his/her interest in the gospel? And where you at with their trust?

H T R U S T	Take low-level risks (test interest, leak church involvement, ask questions)	Take higher risks (make invitation)
	Build trust (Focus on being interested in them. Invite them in your home.)	Take low-level risks (test interest, leak church involvement, ask questions)
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Sometimes it's hard to know when we should talk to a friend about Christ. The scale above is intended to help you make better decisions of when to take the next step.