

Prepare Your Testimony

“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.” 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

We learn in this scripture that we should always be prepared to give our testimony. This means we need to put thought and work into developing the delivery of our personal story of redemption, so that we will always be ready to share. Our story of salvation is a powerful tool for witnessing. Print this guide out and use it to help you develop and be confident in the delivery of your testimony. Remember you don't have to include every single detail of your life. You could develop this from a general overview of your life or one specific time or experience. You need to be able to deliver your story in 3-5 minutes or less for greatest attention and impact.

1.) WHEN YOU WERE LOST.

Jot down notes about your condition before you met Jesus. These could be things you experienced, circumstances or emotions you felt.

2.) WHEN YOU WERE FOUND.

Write out your thoughts about what happened when Jesus met you in your sin and brokenness and how He saved you.

3.) WHEN YOU WERE FREE.

Explain how your thoughts, mind, heart, relationships, and life changed when you became free through Jesus Christ.

After formulating your thoughts in each of these areas, write out your testimony from these notes in narrative form. Then practice speaking it out. Record yourself. Look for places that you may sound unclear or stumble through your words. Continue practicing. Ask a friend to listen to you and give you feedback so you can improve your story and be confident and ready to share your testimony when the Lord opens doors for you.