


HOW TO SHARE JESUS AT WORK WITHOUT GETTING FIRED

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Women With Purpose

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 - ▶ Starting the conversation
 - ▶ Determine their spiritual condition
 - ▶ Let the Bible speak
 - ▶ Lead the Person to Make a Decision
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PREPARATION

James 5:16b The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.


- A. Talk to God about your friends before you talk to your friends about God.
 - B. Prayer Walk
 - C. Presence Evangelism
 - D. Pray for Felt Needs
 - ▶ Keep it simple and specific
 - ▶ Have Faith that God will answer
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STARTING THE CONVERSATION


- ▶ God is always at work around us
 - ▶ God will provide opportunities for us to witness (especially if we have prayed and are willing)
 - ▶ Holidays
 - ▶ Crisis
 - ▶ Faith flags
 - ▶ Attacks on our faith
 - ▶ We can turn these conversations in a spiritual direction
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JESUS USED QUESTIONS

Matthew 16:13-16 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”



USE THE QUESTION METHOD TO DETERMINE THE PERSON'S SPIRITUAL CONDITION

- ▶ People usually have an opinion on most subjects
 - ▶ You will talk less and listen more (listen attentively)
 - ▶ Their answers give you a sense of what's going on in their heart and mind (spiritual temperature test)
 - ▶ Do not respond or attempt to clarify their answers
 - ▶ The Holy Spirit will speak to their heart
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5 QUESTIONS

1. Do you have any kind of spiritual belief?
2. To you, who is Jesus?
3. Do you believe there is a heaven and a hell?
4. If you died right now, where would you go?
 - ▶ If the answer is heaven , follow up with: Why would God let you into heaven?
5. If what you believe were not true, would you want to know?
 - ▶ If yes, take them to lunch to share from the Bible
 - ▶ If the answer is 'no', stop. Silence will usually change their answer to 'yes'
 - ▶ If the 'no' sticks, God will provide other opportunities for that person to accept Christ.
2 Peter 3:9 God does not want anyone to perish.

LET THE BIBLE SPEAK

Romans 10:17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

Let them read the scriptures


You continue to ask questions – actually just two

What does that say to you?

After John 3:3 Why did Jesus have to die?



TIPS

- ▶ If a person does not understand a verse, ask them to read it again. The Holy Spirit will guide the person to the truth
 - ▶ You are just in the page turning (or screen scrolling) business
 - ▶ Stay out of God's way
 - ▶ God's Word is convicting
 - ▶ Listen and watch God work!
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SCRIPTURES

- ▶ Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
- ▶ Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Death = hell
- ▶ John 3:3 Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.
- ▶ John 14:6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”
- ▶ Rom 10:9-11 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.”
- ▶ 2 Cor 5:15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.
- ▶ Rev 3:20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

HOMework

- ▶ Download the verses to your phone. They are on Alison's blog at <http://womenwithpurposeblog.com/resources/> or
- ▶ If you prefer to use a Bible, use one that does not have other markings in it.
 - ▶ Highlight the 7 verses
 - ▶ On the top of the page each page write the next verse so you don't have to remember what the next one is. (Writing it upside down makes it easier for you to read while the other person is holding the Bible)
 - ▶ For example mark the page with Romans 3:23 with Romans 6:23 at the top of the page

CLOSE WITH KEY QUESTIONS

- ▶ Are you a sinner?
- ▶ Do you want forgiveness for sin?
- ▶ Do you believe Jesus died on the cross for you and rose again?
- ▶ Are you willing to surrender your life to Christ?
- ▶ Are you ready to invite Jesus into your life and into your heart?


Be silent and pray. The Holy Spirit will be working in the person's heart.

IF THEY SAY YES

- ▶ Offer to lead them in prayer
- ▶ Tell them what you are going to pray first so they can ask questions
- ▶ Sample prayer:

Heavenly Father, I have sinned against You. Please forgive me for all my sins. I believe that Jesus is Your Son and that He died on the cross for me and rose again. Father, I will turn away from my sins and I give my life to You for Your purpose. I want Your will to be done in my life. Jesus, come into my life and into my heart. I welcome you as my Lord and Savior. In Jesus' Name, Amen


IF THEY SAY NO

- ▶ Ask why
 - ▶ Keep the focus on the person's need to make a decision for Christ.
 - ▶ Do not get into a debate
 - ▶ Preserve the relationship
 - ▶ Listen to the Holy Spirit – you don't want to be a high pressure salesman
 - ▶ If you are able to help them through their questions, ask the last 5 questions again
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POINTS TO REMEMBER

- ▶ Don't attempt to explain or discredit the false teachings, ideas or opinions the person may present. Just present what the Bible says and let it stand on its own.
- ▶ Follow the read it again principle if they don't understand a verse
- ▶ If a person says 'no', he/she is not rejecting you, he/she is rejecting Jesus
- ▶ Never take credit for the acceptance nor the rejections. God, His Word and the Holy Spirit do the work
- ▶ God will provide opportunities for us to share the gospel. We need to be on the lookout and recognize the Holy Spirit's guidance in directing us to share with those who are lost. Pray much!

FOLLOW-UP

- ▶ Give them a Bible
 - ▶ Invite them to Bible study
 - ▶ Disciple them
 - ▶ Invite them to Church
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SUCCESS

Success is:

living your Christian life,

sharing the gospel,

trusting God for the results

Success is NOT:

bringing someone to Christ