

Share Jesus Without Fear

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He wrote the material originally because he kept getting into arguments with people and never really had many chances to share Jesus. Bill Fay then realized that many Christians aren't getting into arguments about Jesus primarily because they are fearful of taking the leap into having spiritual conversations. [Share Jesus Without Fear](#) became one of the most popular books on practical evangelism in the 1990's and remains an outstanding source for Christians today.

Five Most Important Life Questions

The important thing about spiritual conversations is to remember that they are just two people sharing ideas. Most people have never been asked serious questions about their beliefs, so answering these questions will require them to think through their answers. The answers will be inconsistent and even contradictory at times. The important thing is to remember that you are just asking questions, not providing answers or your own beliefs. If they want to know your beliefs, they will ask, but don't volunteer them. This conversation is about the person you are speaking with. Below are some questions you can ask to get people thinking about their beliefs. The questions don't have to go in the following order, but they are the most logical chronology.

- 1) **Do you have any kind of spiritual belief?** *It doesn't matter how they answer or if they can articulate any beliefs. The following questions provide some clarification and focus the conversation.*
- 2) **To you, who is Jesus?** *Jesus is fundamental and most will have an opinion.*
- 3) **Do you believe there are a heaven and a hell?** *It does matter how they answer. Ask the next question anyways.*
- 4) **If you died right now, where would you go? Why?** *People will often answer differently between Q3 and Q4 because this question is more personal. Other ways to personalize is to ask about people you love who have passed. Where are they?*
- 5) **If what you believe were not true, would you want to know it?** *If they say yes to question 5, the next step is to open the Bible and have your friend read the following verses aloud and ask after each verse, "What does this say to you?" It is important that they read the verses for themselves, and out loud so you know that they are reading the*

right verse.

Invitation to hear what God says...

Depending upon how the person answers, you may choose to ask him/her if you can show him/her what the Bible says about these matters. (You can ask "Would you like to know how the Bible answers these questions?" or "Are you interested to hear what God says in the Bible about these things?") If the respondent is open to learning more, you can walk through the verses below. It's important to prepare ahead of time, though.

- At the front of your bible, write down the page number of the first reference (Rom 3:23).
- Highlight the verses so that they are easy to identify by your friend.
- At the top of each page where the verse is being read, write the page number of the next page to turn to.
- Have them read the verse out loud (you want to be sure they are reading the right one)
- After they have read the verse, simply ask: **What do think this means?**
- After they have shared what they are "hearing" from God, turn to the next verse and continue this process.

If the person you are speaking with shows little interest in hearing more about what God says in His word, it's important that you pray for more opportunities and an openness of heart. In either case, let the Holy Spirit lead you. He will prompt and convict the lost, and when ready, you can pick up on the conversation and move it to the Bible.

There are seven verses that are used in the Share Jesus Without Fear evangelism outline:

- 1) **Romans 3:23** (ESV) "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (*The issue of sin**)
- 2) **Romans 6:23** (ESV) "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (*The penalty of sin*)
- 3) **John 3:3** (ESV) Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." (*How to enter a relationship with Christ*)
- 4) **John 14:6** (ESV) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (*The narrowness of the Gospel*)
- 5) **Romans 10:9-11** (ESV) because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."
(Anyone can be saved)

6) **2 Corinthians 5:15** (ESV) and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. *(We must turn from or sin and turn to Jesus)*

7) **Revelation 3:20** (ESV) Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. *(A choice to accept or reject)*

Invite the person to make a commitment to Christ (repent) turn from their sin and turn to Jesus for salvation. You may invite him or her to attend Faith Community Church's "Christianity Explained" class, which provides a basic understanding of the Christian faith that will kindle a lifelong love for truth. Those who are not willing to make a commitment may need time or may have questions – and that's ok! Remember, the faithful witness asks the questions, but it is God who calls and saves.

* Italics text is the simplified answer to the question about the passage