

Be ready to share.

1 Peter 3:15-17 CEV

15 Honor Christ and let Him be the Lord of your life.

Always be ready to give an answer when someone asks you about your hope.

16 Give a kind and respectful answer and keep your conscience clear.

This way you will make people ashamed for saying bad things about your good conduct as a follower of Christ. 17 You are better off to obey God and suffer for doing right than to suffer for doing wrong.

Why should I share the Good News?

✓ You are commissioned by Jesus.

Mark 16:15 NLT

And then He told them, "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone."

✓ God has chosen you to help people be reconciled to Him.

2 Corinthians 5:20 NKJV

Now then, <u>we are ambassadors for Christ</u>, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.

✓ God doesn't want anyone to perish.

2 Peter 3:9 NKJV

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, *not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance*.

What makes us ineffective in sharing the Good News?

✓ Act too much like the world.

Romans 12:2 NLT

<u>Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world</u>, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then *you will learn to know God's will for you*, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

✓ Sugar coat the <u>truth</u> about salvation.

Mark 1:14 NIT

"The Kingdom of God is near! Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!"

✓ **Condemn** the lost. John 3:17 NKJV

For <u>God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world</u>, but that the world through Him might be saved.

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How Do I Share The Good News?

Steps To Sharing The Good News

1. Find ways to connect with lost people.

1 Corinthians 9:22 TLB

...Yes, whatever a person is like, <u>I try to find common ground</u> with him so that he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him.

2. Share your testimony.

Acts 1:8 NLT

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you.

And you will be My witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

- 3. Lead them through the A-B-C's of salvation.
 - ✓ Admit that you need a Savior.

Romans 3:23 NLT

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.

 \checkmark **B**elieve - Jesus is the Son of God who saves and gives eternal life.

John 3:16 NKJV

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

✓ $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$ onfess - Jesus as Lord of your life.

Romans 10:9 NLT

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.

4. Help people take the next step to know God better.

Ephesians 1:17 NIV

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that **you may know Him better.**

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