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Producing Fruit

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Revelation 12:–10-11

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “**Now** the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night. ¹¹ “And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death.

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Testimony

- Their testimony was the evidence of their victory over the enemy.
- Our testimony is the evidence of our victory over the enemy!
- “[God] comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.” - 2 Corinthians 1:4

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Testimony

- “My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples.” – John 15:8
- The vehicle for producing fruit in others is your testimony.

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Tips for sharing your testimonies

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1. Be a storyteller, not a salesman

- Jesus said, “you will be my witnesses.”
- A good witness, will share exactly what they saw and nothing else.
- Be real, not a reality show.

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God.

For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. My message [logos – report/news/statement/story] and my preaching [public teaching] were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

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2. It's not you, it's Him

- It's not about your words, it's about Him changing hearts.
- Knowledge + Revelation = Transformation
- Our focus is to introduce them to our God and let him work in their heart!

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Matthew 16:13-17

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people (common men) 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."

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Matthew 16:13-17

“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.”

Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.”

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2. It's not you, it's Him

- God doesn't need us to reveal himself, but he let's us be part of the process.
- God uses our story to show who He is so people can see His glory show up in their everyday lives.

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“Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.”

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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