





1 Peter 3:15

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. But do this with gentleness and respect...



Mark 5:1-2

They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit.



Mark 5:6-7

And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me."



Mark 5:8-10

For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country.



Mark 5:18-20

As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.



Mark 6:53-56

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.



Mark 7:31

Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.







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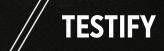
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When We Reach Out: Testify

PITFALLS TO WATCH OUT FOR

TOO LONG:

Keep it brief. Allow time for questions.

DOESN'T MAKE SENSE:

Your testimony shouldn't be incoherent. Avoid leading with your craziest God story.

CHRISTIAN-ESE:

Do not use words that don't make sense to the person you're talking to. Do not teach people or talk at them.

SUPERIORITY:

Avoid pious remarks or assumptions. Do not make it sound like you're better than the other person.

TRY THIS THREE STEP PROCESS:

- 1. A key word or concept describing who you were before you met Christ.
- 2. The fact that you came into a relationship with Christ.
- 3. A key word or concept describing who you are after walking with Christ.

Write your story in 100 words or less:

A key word or concept describing who you were before you met Christ.

The fact that you came into a relationship with Christ.

A key word or concept describing who you are after walking with Christ.

Pick up in the Lobby!



