Witness

Ambassador

1

2Cor 5:20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

It's not awkward. We 'is' the church, the walking Plan A to redeem the world. God does something IN and THROUGH people every week - be at church! God has positioned you and called you. He knows our qualifications because he created us, called us and equipped us, even through our imperfections/flaws.

Be His ambassador on earth in every season. THIS is always the season, not the destined season, the past season or the perfect season. Don't wait - even the painful season has worth. Even in a lousy season, project hope, joy, peace and confidence.

When you talk about Christ, people are looking at you, before what you say. Be aware that you are in the middle, making the introduction, but then get out of the way!! We make it awkward, we label everything. Be aware of your walk, of what people see first as you introduce them to Christ.

2

1 Peter 3:15 but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always *being* ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;

Evangelism is not for a select few. Our experience in institutions are often the worst, when people are just looking for a <u>sincere</u> experience.

Sincere: without wax = representing purity, solid, with no ulterior motive (Rom 12:9)

Be real, be you - we don't save people, Jesus does. Listen to the Holy Spirit who will give you the words to share.

Sometimes people don't need answers (they need Jesus).. a searching soul just needs to find conviction.

Don't study to transfer information. Study is preparation for conversations. Seek after the things of God to increase your faith and convict yourself.

3

Tell the Lord, "I'm ready, willing and available" and watch what happens - who He sends your way!

Those conversations have more weight than any business deal - be about moving people closer to Jesus!

If we are following Christ, but we're not moving - those following us will also stand still. There are ramifications of your pursuit for others.

Acts 1:8 but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

The Spirit is alive, be baptized by the Holy Spirit - don't allow some traditions of the past or past experience to taint this for you. The Holy Spirit will give you the power to witness!

We want our lives to be disturbed, inconvenient and complicated - that's what he called and equipped us for!

4

Simply your words

Be the light - without judgement or offense - don't patronize, this will lead to loss of ability, you'll be ineffective and lose equity with others. People stir you up/agitate you, just to see how you'll react. You have so much equity with people, they are WAITING for you to respond. They see your blessings, your integrity, your honesty, your trust.

Be equity builders!

Don't make them ask you!!! Let the Holy Spirit prompt you - who needs you to show them Jesus.

Romans 12:1-2

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Mercy: we don't get what we deserve. Get a good view of mercy. Get a good view of the good, pleasing and perfect will of God.

The early Christians were called "followers of The Way".. be a follower of the way! There's no shame, it is a choice. Don't offer a feeling based opinion. Know the Word, and trust Him with everything.

Vow to renew your mind daily. Submit yourself to Jesus, we're not able without Jesus.

In your TODAY season, God is faithful, you are called and positioned, no matter the season.

Let's be the conduit for salvations, for relationships and reconciliations.

- 1) Of the 4 points mentioned, which one needs the most improvement in your life?
- 2) What are some examples of ways you can witness to yourself?
- 3) What does an ambassador for Christ look like to you?

4) How can you simply your words?