

"I'm In" - Sharing your story

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Main point: God has given you a story to help reach your few.

1. Your story is worth sharing.

"As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. Jesus did not let him, but said, 'Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.' So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed." (Mark 5:18-20)

You don't need a dramatic story, you need an honest one.

2. Keep your story simple.

"...One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" (John 9:25)

Clarity beats complexity when you're sharing your story.

Don't just share what Jesus did. Share what Jesus is doing.

3. Let your story point to His story.

4 Major Acts of God's Story

Creation: God made the world good, made us in His image, and created us for relationship with Him.

*"God saw all that he had made, and it was very good." (**Genesis 1:31a**)*

Fall: Humanity chose our own way, and sin fractured what God made good. We still see that brokenness around us and within us. But God did not abandon the story.

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (**Romans 3:23**)*

Redemption: Jesus came. Jesus entered our brokenness, died for our sins, and rose again. Because of Him, forgiveness and new life are available.

*"For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (**Colossians 1:13-14**)*

Restoration: God is making all things new. One day He will fully make everything right.

*"He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!'" (**Revelation 21:5a**)*

Reflection: Does my story stop with me, or does it help people see Jesus?

When God opens the door, use your story to point to His.