

How To Share Your Faith

Series: Why Did God Create Us?

What Does The Bible Say?

14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? 15 And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!”

(Romans 10:14–15 NLT)

Why don't we share our faith more?

- **We feel hypocritical? We don't live good enough lives.**
- **We feel we do not know enough about the Bible.**
- **We don't have a plan on what to say.**

How Can You Obey?

First, tell people what you were like before you started to follow Christ.

- **What was your focus in life?**
- **How was your thinking faulty?**

Second, explain what happened - how following Jesus made sense to you.

- **Your current path was leading to destruction.**
- **You knew something was missing in your life.**
- **You felt worthless or unlovable.**
- **You started thinking about death.**

Third, how has following Jesus changed your life?

- Describe how God's forgiveness, love and promise of everlasting life has affected you.
- Tell them how it's changed your perspective on who you are and why you're here.
- Tell them how embracing the gospel has changed you.

Notice that I have not given any Bible verses at all.

Many people do not accept the Bible as their religious source. People can argue about the Bible, but cannot deny your experiences.

Fourth, ask them if they ever considered following Christ.

You choose to believe what Christ did on the cross and after He arose from the dead.

16 “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16 NLT)

I don't believe the Bible is from God?

- **What if they say - I don't believe the Bible is from God?**
- **Reliable eye-witness testimony confirms the history of most of the Bible.**
- **Archaeology confirms the history of the Bible.**
- **Fulfilled prophecies confirm the Divine origin of the Bible.**
- **The consistent message confirms the Divine origin of the Bible.**

What if they say - I don't believe the creation story or Jonah and the whale?

Additional Notes:

If you would like to use your home to disciple others, check out our training at www.crosswaveschurch.com/host. Cross Waves has produced short videos to train you how to use your home to reach others for Christ. So please check it out.

Explore:

This series comes from the book, *What Does God Want?* Michael S. Heiser and Blind Spot Press, 2018.

Explore:

Today's Tough Questions segment comes from the book: McLaughlin, R. (2019). *Confronting christianity: 12 hard questions for the world's largest religion*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway.

Question 1 of 5

Why do you believe many people have a hard time sharing their faith with others?

Question 2 of 5

Why is the Bible so important to Christians, but might not be the best place to start to share your faith?

Question 3 of 5

Share with your HotSpot when and why you first started to follow Christ.

Question 4 of 5

Share with your HotSpot how following Christ has changed you.

Question 5 of 5

Talk over with your HotSpot what you believe are the hardest questions to answer about God and the Bible.

