

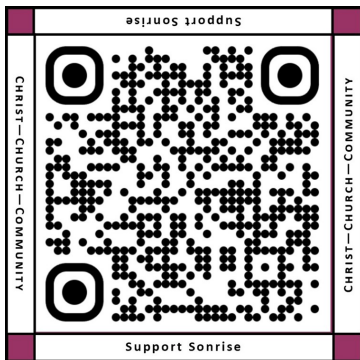


Holiday Bazaar November 23, 10 a.m.



Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are now being assembled and collected. Bring your boxes to the church or go online to SonriseChurch.com and have a box built for you. November 17th is the final Sunday to build a box or bring one into the church.

You can help Support Sonrise Church



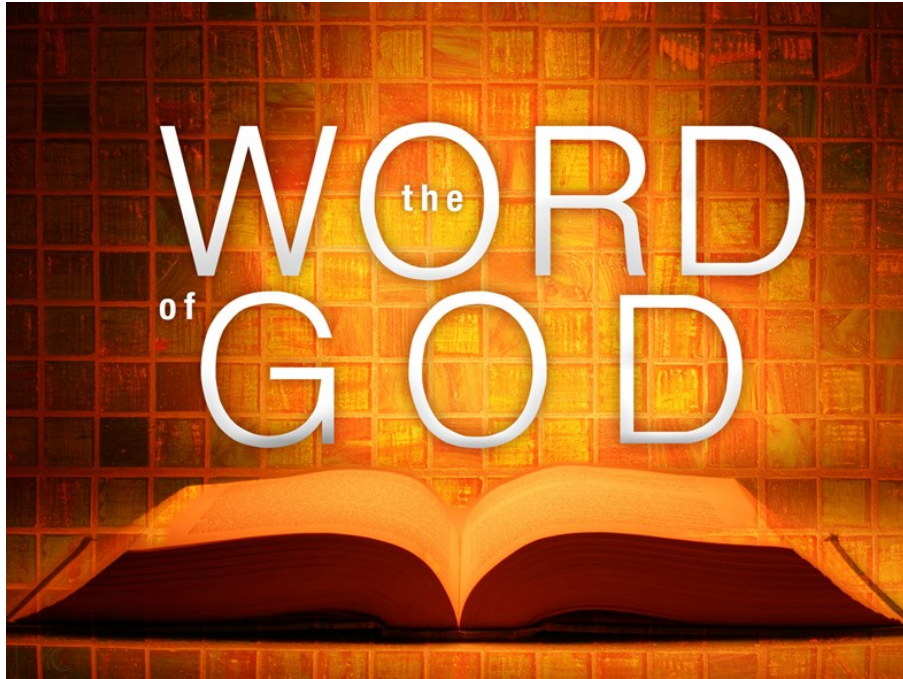
Directions are available @ <http://sonrisechurch.com/giving.html>



#5 SAHRING



- ◆ _____ Moses said to the LORD, “Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue.” Then the LORD said to him, “Who has made man’s mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak.” Exodus 4.10-12
- ◆ I don’t know what to _____.
- ◆ These are missed _____ we regret.
- ◆ _____ to share what you have _____.



Faith to Share Christ

- ◆ So _____ comes from hearing, and hearing through the _____ of Christ.
Romans 10:17
- ◆ “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore _____ to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest”
Matthew 9:37-38, ESV.
- ◆ One of the harvesters needs to be by _____. You, sharing the Word of Christ with someone else.



This week’s digging deeper is a challenge to write your Faith Story to help you be ready to share it when the opportunity becomes available. Your faith story is unique to you. It is about what has happened to you as you relate to God through His Son Jesus. The goal is to be ready to share how you know God personally. In many ways it is a story about God and your personal commitment to Him.

Here are FIVE simple steps to help you write your Faith Story.

1. PRAY: Ask God to help you. This is your unique story.
2. Just be YOU! Just tell your story. What happened, how you see God has worked in your life. Talk about the changes that have happened in your life because of your relationship with God.
3. Be intentional. Think in chapters or blocks and tie them together. Three key chapters could be:
 - : What my life was like before I became a Christian
 - : How I became a Christian
 - : How Jesus has changed my life.
4. Be authentic. Don’t use churchy words or try to impress. Just tell your story. Keep it simple. Too many details will bog you down and anyone you eventually share it with.
5. Write it our. Yes, this is something you are going to share with others but it will help greatly if you have organized and prepared in advance.

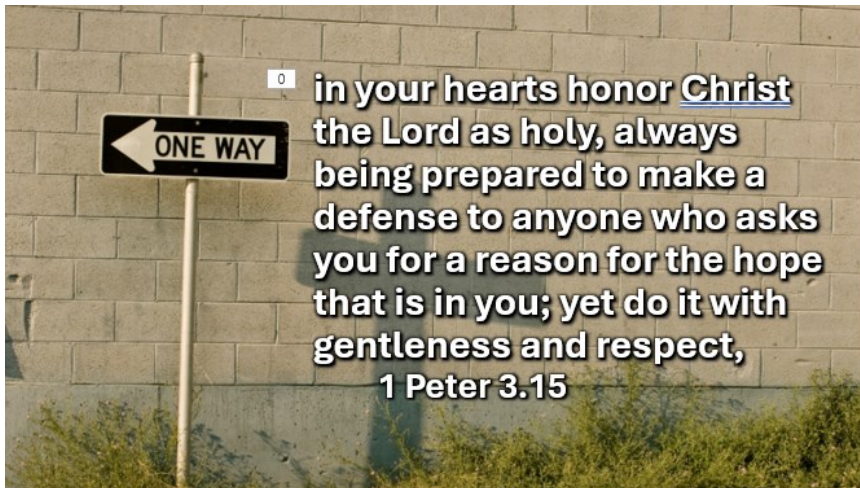
This is not intended to be memorized, but to be a guide so you can be ready to speak for Jesus and what He has done in your life. You may be the only time someone hears about Jesus so why not be ready instead of having regrets that you were not prepared.

An Effective Witness

1. The _____ of our witness (our life) is Jesus Christ.
1 Corinthians 2.2
2. The _____ of our witness (our life) is the Holy Spirit.
Titus 3.5
3. The _____ of our witness (our life) will be evident in how we live our lives every day.
Philippians 2.15

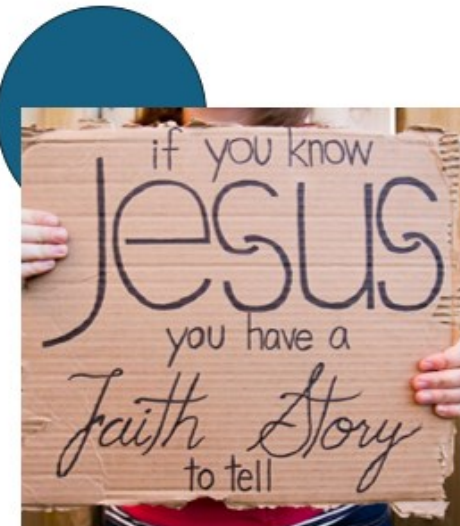


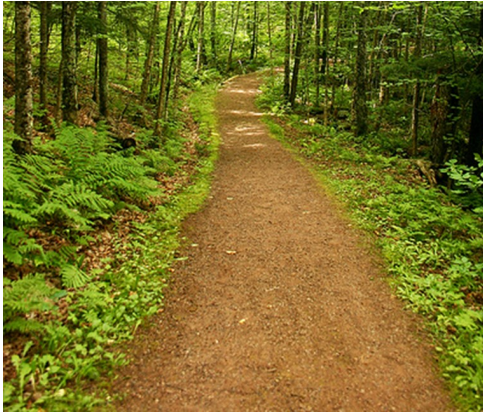
Always being prepared



Your Faith Story

- ◆ What is your _____ ?
 - ◆ This is God working through the circumstances of your life for _____ purpose.
1. Sharing Your FAITH Story Can Relate to Other People's _____ .
 - ◆ 2 Corinthians 1.3-4 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all _____ , who _____ us in all our troubles, so that we can _____ those in any trouble with the _____ we ourselves receive from God.
 2. Sharing Your Faith Story Makes the Gospel _____
 - ◆ The _____ about Jesus is just as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.
 3. NO ONE CAN _____ WITH YOUR FAITH STORY





The Follow Me Principal

THE NEXT DAY JESUS DECIDED TO GO TO GALILEE. HE FOUND PHILIP AND SAID TO HIM, "FOLLOW ME." NOW PHILIP WAS FROM BETHSAIDA, THE CITY OF ANDREW AND PETER. PHILIP FOUND NATHANAEL AND SAID TO HIM, "WE HAVE FOUND HIM OF WHOM MOSES IN THE LAW AND ALSO THE PROPHETS WROTE, JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE SON OF JOSEPH."

NATHANAEL SAID TO HIM, "CAN ANYTHING GOOD COME OUT OF NAZARETH?" PHILIP SAID TO HIM, "COME AND SEE." JESUS SAW NATHANAEL COMING TOWARD HIM AND SAID OF HIM, "BEHOLD, AN ISRAELITE INDEED, IN WHOM THERE IS NO DECEIT!" NATHANAEL SAID TO HIM, "HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?" JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "BEFORE PHILIP CALLED YOU, WHEN YOU WERE UNDER THE FIG TREE, I SAW YOU."

NATHANAEL ANSWERED HIM, "RABBI, YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD! YOU ARE THE KING OF ISRAEL!" JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "BECAUSE I SAID TO YOU, 'I SAW YOU UNDER THE FIG TREE,' DO YOU BELIEVE? YOU WILL SEE GREATER THINGS THAN THESE." AND HE SAID TO HIM, "TRULY, TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, YOU WILL SEE HEAVEN OPENED, AND THE ANGELS OF GOD ASCENDING AND DESCENDING ON THE SON OF MAN."

JOHN 1.43.51

The Follow Me Principal

- ◆ You share what you have, know, and have _____ without worrying about what you don't know or what others think.
- ◆ 1 Corinthians 11.11 You are to imitate me, just as I _____ . BSB
- ◆ You don't need all the answers to all the questions before you _____ Christ.
- ◆ Matthew 11.29 Take My yoke upon you and _____ FROM _____ ; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. BSB
- ◆ You will see _____ when you follow Jesus.
- ◆ John 1.51 Then He declared, "Truly, truly, I tell you, you will all see _____ and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man." BSB

