

“Sharing My Faith”
Believe: What Shall I Do? — Part 10
Ephesians 6:19-20

How do you know you are going to heaven?

1. God has one plan for saving the world.

“... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 1:8

KEY BELIEFS

There is a heaven and a hell.
Jesus will return to judge all people.
The destination of all people is fully based on
receiving forgiveness of their sins through Christ.

**What we believe in our hearts will define
how we live and who we become.**

All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:18-21

2. How do I share my faith with those who don't know God?

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Romans 10:14-15

KEY VERSE

Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Ephesians 6:19-20

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...let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

But in your hearts set apart 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...
1 Peter 3:15

Easter Devotional to share

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline. So, do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord...
2 Timothy 1:7-8

For the Holy Spirit, God's gift, does not want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them. If you will stir up this inner power, you will never be afraid to tell others about our Lord
2 Timothy 1:7-8 (TLB)

3. Jesus' story and your story are powerful witnesses.

When did Jesus make Himself real to you?

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

What is God's plan to bring people into a right relationship with Himself?

...faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.
Romans 10:17

• God loves you!

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
John 3:16-17

• Sin keeps us from having a personal relationship with God.

...There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
Romans 3:22-23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23

• Only through Jesus can you have a personal relationship.

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."
John 14:6

- **You must personally respond by trusting Christ as Lord and Savior.**

For it is by *grace* you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of *God*—not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

That if you *confess* with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that *God* raised him from the *dead*, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you *confess* and are saved.

Romans 10:9-10

KEY IDEA

I share my faith to fulfill God's purposes.

"The only thing Christianity cannot be is moderately important."

C. S. Lewis

Application: If Jesus is who he said He is, if He saved you from all your sins, if He has given to you eternal life, He deserves everything you've got. He is not a piece of your life like career and hobbies, He is your whole life. If all of this is not true, then let's close up shop and go home; we are only kidding ourselves. ***The casual Christian is a contradiction of terms!*** You're either passionate about loving God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, or you're not.