

Sharing My Faith

“Living the story of the Bible
to become like Jesus”

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Background Scriptures

- Genesis 12:1-4
- 2 Kings 5:1-15
- Jonah 3:3-10

Background Scriptures

(continued)

- Matthew 5:13-16
- Acts 8:26-39
- John 4:5-42 (4:5-24)

Background Scriptures (continued)

- Ephesians 6:19-20
- 1 Corinthians 9:19-23
- 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Aim

To help us to share our
faith with others that don't
know God.

Memory Verse

(Ephesians 6:19-20)

“Pray also for me. Pray that whenever I speak, the right words will be given to me. Then I can be bold as I tell the mystery of the good news. Because of the good news, I am being held by chains as the Lord’s messenger. So pray that I will be bold as I preach the good news. That’s what I should do.”

Thought

“One of the most important things we can give to others is our faith.” Randy Frazee

The Believer Believes

- God has unfolded His grand plan to provide salvation through Jesus Christ
- God loves all people and extends an invitation to everyone to receive eternal life

The Believer Believes

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- There is a heaven and hell and Jesus will return to judge all people and establish His Kingdom

The Believer Believes

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- Only those who receive salvation by faith in Jesus Christ in this life will be a part of the eternal life to come
- God has designed the church to be the primary ambassador to spread the message

Biblical Characters

- Jonah
- Naaman
- Jesus
- Samaritan Woman
- Philip
- The Ethiopian Eunuch

Study Highlights

- The call to share our faith
- Sharing our faith through our lives
- Sharing our faith through our words
- Sharing our faith with all

Evaluate Ourselves!

- Y/N ___ I frequently share my faith with people who are not Christians.
- Y/N ___ I try to live so others will see Christ in my life.

Evaluate Ourselves!

- Y/N ___ I know how to share my life with non-Christians.
- Y/N ___ I pray for non-Christians to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Sharing My Faith Questions

- What are some ways in which we can be God's "ambassador" to the world?
- What effective strategies you would identify from the encounter between Phillip and the Ethiopian in Acts 8 can emulate?

Sharing My Faith Questions (Continued)

- What does it mean to have our conversations be “full of grace” and “seasoned with salt”?
- In sharing our faith, what did Jesus mean that some will “sow” the seed and others will “reap” the harvest?

Sharing My Faith

- Something every child of God is called to do
- Sometimes people will reject your sharing
- Some people will avoid you because you share your faith

A Call To Share Our Faith (2 Corinthians 5:14-21)

- Israel was a living demonstration to the world of the length which God would go to re-establish His relationship with His people
- God reconciling the world through the sacrificing of His Son

Who Do They See?

A question is ask in the
Children and Youth study is
**“Who do they see when they
look at me?”**

Fact

As children of God, we are
ambassadors to the world.

Sharing Our Faith Through Our Lives

(2 Kings 5:1-15)

- Being a positive example in how we live everyday
- Centering our lives on doing God's will
- Being a light to the world

The Believer's Role

“Our responsibilities as a believer is to know Christ and make Him known”

Patricia Reynolds

Sharing Our Faith Through Our Words (Acts 8:26-39)

- Testifying about God's love and faithfulness
- Asking the Holy Spirit to give us words when we need them

Sharing Our Faith Through Our Words

- We receive words from the scripture
- We gather words from those around us to share with others
- We inspire others with our faith in words

Sharing Our Faith With All (Jonah 3:1-10 and Matthew 4:5-42)

- It starts with obedience
- It is not always accepted, but when our faith is accepted people change things for the good

Sharing Our Faith With All

- We remember our deciding to believe in God
- We may be able to describe our current belief and faith in God

God's Intent

God's grace and love has no boundaries and He desires for all people to come into a saving relationship with Him.

Conclusion

As we share our faith with others, let us be aware that God has given us a “ministry of reconciliation” as God’s ambassadors. This is a Divine Appointment to share the gospel with all people. We must share our faith through our words.

Upcoming Events

- Jul 13 – No New Members Class/
No Bible Study
- Jul 20 – Love
(1 Samuel 18:1-4; 19:1-7; 20:1-42;
John 3:16; 10: 14-18; 1 John 4:10-12)