

The Christian Witness

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I. Introduction.

- A. People are different and have different experiences.
- B. There is a point of decision for every person for Jesus Christ.
- C. There are four basic steps in the Christian witness.

II. Explain the facts.

- A. Realizing God's plan, which is abundant life. (John 3:16)
- B. Acknowledge man's problem, which is separation because of sin. (Habakkuk 1:17; Romans 3:23; 6:23)
- C. Recognize God's remedy: the cross. (Isaiah 53; 1 Timothy 2:5; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 Peter 2:24; John 14:6)
- D. Man's response: we must trust Jesus by personal invitation through an act of the will. (Revelation 3:20)
 - 1. Admit your need.
 - 2. Be willing to turn from sin.
 - 3. Believe that Jesus died on the cross for you.
 - 4. Through prayer, invite Jesus to come in and control your life.
- E. Man's assurance of salvation. (1 John 5:11-12)

III. Give an invitation.

IV. Help with the prayer of commitment.

V. Confirm the commitment.

- A. Confirm the commitment by asking if the person is coming to receive Jesus Christ as Lord.
- B. Give assurance of salvation.

C. Help with rededication and restoration to God's fellowship. (1 John 1:7, 9; Matthew 6:33; Luke 6:46; John 13:13; Romans 8:32)

VI. Scripture memory.

VII. Things to believe as you share your faith with others.

A. All men need Christ.

B. All men want Christ. (Mark 1:37)

C. The power of the gospel is in the presentation. (Romans 1:16)

D. God wants to and can use you. (2 Corinthians 6:1)

VIII. Assignment.

Application questions

1. How can we witness to someone else?

2. What verses are key to memorizing for being a good witness?

3. What role does assurance of salvation play in witnessing? Explain.
