

**X. Telling the Story**

A. Getting the opening to tell the story

- 1. Use an appropriate Gospel tract.
- 2. Ask permission to speak to them about Christ.
- 3. Say “May I tell you about something that has meant more to me than anything else in life?”

Note: This is why we suggested you get your testimony clearly in mind.

- 4. Here be courteous ... and straight forward!
  - a. Always be courteous. (II Timothy 2:24)
  - b. At the same time, don’t be devious. Come straight to the point.
  - c. And ... **STICK TO THE POINT.**

B. Some Do’s and Don’ts in Telling the Story

- 1. Don’t pre-suppose a negative response. Assume a positive response.
- 2. Bring them face to face with the PERSON OF CHRIST ... stay off unnecessary doctrinal issues.
- 3. As soon as you are into the interview **USE YOUR BIBLE.**
- 4. Don’t try to force ... you can’t force the Spirit’s work!
- 5. **NEVER, NEVER ARGUE.**
- 6. Keep it simple.

C. Above all...be sure you tell them the GOSPEL. Note: Many things that supposedly are gospel preaching, are not.

What is the Gospel? (I Corinthians 15:3,4)

**Assignment**

- 1. Memorize I Corinthians 15:3,4 and II Timothy 2:24
- 3. What are some reasons why argumentation does not work in individual witnessing?
- 4. How far do you think you should go in trying to answer the “pet doctrines” of cults, etc.?

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**Unit 10 “Check-Yourself” Test**

**Memory Verses:**

I Corinthians 15:3,4

II Timothy 2:24

1. When handing a tract to others, what should our actions and attitude reveal to them? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What is a key passage regarding courtesy in the Christian's life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Does courtesy and gentleness mean we are to use a devious back-door approach? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Does conviction of sin come from the arguments we set forth? If not, from where does it come?  
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5. Who is our example in keeping the message simple, in easy-to-understand language? \_\_\_\_\_  
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***Answers To “Check-Yourself” Tests - Unit 10***

*1. That we are personally interested in their eternal welfare.; 2. II Timothy 2:24,25.; 3. No.; 4. No, from the Holy Spirit.; 5. Christ.*