
Acts 18:9 (NASB) - And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you."

If I live by the name of Jesus, I must speak the name of Jesus everywhere I go.

1. Saved

- a) Do not be afraid...
- b) When you come to understand that only God has the power over life and death itself, you won't be afraid of any man, authority, or spiritual being, but you will fear God and him alone.
- c) **Matthew 10:26-28** (NLT) - "But don't be afraid of those who threaten you. For the time is coming when everything that is covered will be revealed, and all that is secret will be made known to all. What I tell you now in the darkness, shout abroad when daybreak comes. What I whisper in your ear, shout from the housetops for all to hear! Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell."
- d) **Romans 1:16** (NLT) - For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile.

2. Seek

- a) ...for I am with you.
- b) **1 Corinthians 11:1** (NLT) - And you should imitate me, just as I imitate Christ.
- c) Our faith must grow if we want to be more confident to sow.
- d) A deep, intimate, relationship with God is key to growing in your faith. This happens when we SEEK HIS FACE.

3. Speak

- a) ...but go on speaking and do not be silent.
- b) **Luke 4:43** (NLT) - But he replied, "I must preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God in other towns, too, because that is why I was sent."
- c) **Romans 10:8-10** (NLT) - In fact, it says, "The message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart." And that message is the very message about faith that we preach: If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.
- d) and the Lord said to Paul
- e) **Philippians 2:9-11** (NLT) - Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. When Jesus is not only the Saviour, but the LORD of your life, then you can't help but obey his commands, which includes sharing the good news to a broken world.

Next Steps:

1. Believe in the Lord Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins.
2. Baptism – publicly declare your faith in God and celebrate this decision with others.
3. Be bold – seek a deeper relationship with God by seeking his presence daily through prayer and reading his truth in the Bible.

Study Guide

1. How would you describe your relationship with Jesus currently?
2. Do you believe Jesus was crucified on the cross, raised from the dead, and through him alone we are saved from our sins?
3. If you believe in Jesus, how would you describe your commitment to SEEK his presence daily?
4. If you believe in Jesus how would you describe your commitment to SPEAK the name of Jesus to people in your life that don't believe?
5. God calls all of his followers to share the good news of Jesus. Pray and ask God to give you a heart for the lost and to be BOLD and share the good news. Make a plan and start writing down the people you know that are not believers and ask God for opportunities to share this week!