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"YOUR STORY MATTERS!"

What fears or concerns do you have when you are told "share your faith"?

**God never asked you to know everything.
He simply asked you to tell your story.**

What about your testimony is living proof that God still changes lives?

Mark 5:19 (NLT)

"Go home to your family, and tell them everything the Lord has done for you and how merciful he has been."

1. YOUR STORY IS POWERFUL

Revelation 12:11

"They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony."

How does it make you feel to know God has chosen to use your story as a weapon against darkness?

**Every testimony is a miracle. Whether Jesus pulled you out of a ditch...
Or kept you from falling into one...
It is still His grace.**

2. EVERY TESTIMONY HAS THREE PARTS

A. What was my life like before Christ?

B. How did I meet Jesus?

C. How has my life changed?



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Let's break these down. When you think about 'what your life was like before Christ', don't exaggerate and don't glorify your sin.

What was your life like before Christ?

Were you searching, lonely, proud, fearful, hopeless, lost, empty?

Whether your change was dramatic or quiet, it was still a miracle!

How did you meet Jesus?

Who invited you?

What sermon touched your heart?

What scripture changed you?

Where were you?

What happened?

How did you realize you needed Jesus?

When did you surrender your life?

Reminder: keep Jesus the hero! Not a church, preacher, friend or yourself!

How has your life changed?

What difference has Jesus made?

What do you still struggle with?

What battles do you still face? (just not alone!)



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**How has Christ changed your marriage,
priorities, purpose, relationships, heart?**

3. KEEP JESUS AT THE CENTER

Don't spend ten minutes talking about your sin... And thirty seconds talking about Jesus.

Your testimony isn't about how bad you were.

It is about how good Jesus is.

Is your testimony pointing people to Jesus or to you?

4. SHARE YOUR STORY NATURALLY

God opens doors everyday, you don't have to force conversations and be awkward!

When people are looking for hope and you know where hope is found, can you simply tell them?

When has this happened recently?

5. THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES THE SAVING

One of the biggest mistakes Christians make is believing they have to convince people.

Who changes the hearts of people?

Are you doing your part and being faithful?

Are you planting the seeds?

Are you taking the opportunities God puts in your path?



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PRACTICAL OUTLINE TO REMEMBER:

BEFORE: Who was I before Jesus?

HOW: How did I come to know Him?

AFTER: What difference has He made?

This weeks challenge: pray for your ONE and tell your story.

Are you ready to share your story with your ONE?

Do you need some advice and tips, from other believers? ASK your lifegroup! We are in this together!

What was the biggest take away from today's lesson?