A THREE-STEP GUIDE TO SHARING YOUR FAITH

Step 1 - Offer to pray for a need

In John 4:46-54 a royal official whose son was close to death, begged Jesus to go with him and heal his son. Jesus told him that his son would live, so he returned home, finding his son well.

In the Bible, often people need to know that God is real and cares about them before they will follow him. Offering to pray for a need in someone's life can begin this journey.

Share with those around you that God cares about them and offer to pray privately for their situation. Check in with them afterwards to see what has changed, remaining open to the ways God may reveal his kindness and provide a way forward.

Step 2 - Introduce them to Jesus

In John 1:35-42 Andrew brought his brother Simon Peter to meet Jesus, so he could experience Jesus for himself and discover who he really was.

People are more likely to follow Jesus when they encounter him for themselves. Their faith will be based upon their own connection with Jesus. This can accelerate their journey to faith.

Invite people to pause and listen for what Jesus might say to them. What they sense may be faint at first, so ask what came to mind and explore it together. Alternatively, ask whether you can pray for them to become more aware of his presence. Afterwards, ask whether they experienced peace, love, hope, joy or comfort.

Step 3 - Share what God loves about them

In John 1:43–51, Philip brought his friend Nathanael to meet Jesus. Jesus recognised what was good and true in Nathanael's character, and this had a profound impact on him.

God values every person because each one is his idea and bears the mark of his design. He delights to reveal how he sees people and what he values in their character.

Ask Jesus what he loves about someone you know. If a positive, encouraging thought comes to mind, share it humbly and without pressure. Explore their response together. Does God's positive view surprise them? Is it what they expected? How does it make them feel?

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