THREE STEP GUIDE TO SHARING YOUR FAITH

Effective ways to introduce Jesus to your family, friends, and work colleagues

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 for them and offer to privately pray for their situation to change. Check-in with them to see how the situation is, expecting God to reveal his kindness and divine solutions.

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 if they experience him themselves. Their faith will be based upon their own connection with Jesus. This can accelerate their journey to faith.

Get people you know to listen to Jesus. It may be faint to begin with, but ask what they heard and discuss it with them. Alternatively, ask if you can pray for them to feel his tangible presence. As you pray ask how they feel. Do they feel his 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 told him what he loved about him: 'A true Israelite in who there is no deceit'. This had a profound impact on Nathanael.

God has a high opinion of people because they are his idea and design. God delights to reveal to people what he loves about them, their character and how he sees them.

Ask Jesus what he loves about people you know and share it with them. Explore with them how God knows them. Does God's positive view of them surprise them? Was it what they were expecting? How do they feel about it?

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