

# “Sharing Your Story” John 9

- I.** Every person who has received CHRIST as their Savior has a \_\_\_\_\_ (testimony) of how they met JESUS.
1. Your Testimony is your unique \_\_\_\_\_ of how you came to CHRIST.
  2. Your Story is one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ that GOD could use to draw people to HIM.
  3. It is both \_\_\_\_\_, since it is your \_\_\_\_\_ which is different from anyone else’s.
  4. It is also \_\_\_\_\_ because it recalls \_\_\_\_\_ that brought about real, lasting change.

## **II. The Events that unfolded:**

1. This man was \_\_\_\_\_. Before we received CHRIST, all of us were \_\_\_\_\_ blind. The \_\_\_\_\_ of this world (Satan) has blinded the minds of all unbelievers. **2 Cor. 4:3-4**
  - A. We could not \_\_\_\_\_. Romans 3:23
  - B. We could not understand the \_\_\_\_\_ of our sin which separated us from GOD. Romans 6:23
  - C. We could not see our need for \_\_\_\_\_ to save us from our sin. **John 6:44, Hebrews 4:12**
2. This man’s testimony is \_\_\_\_\_. **V.11** Yours should be, too.
  - A. I \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. HE \_\_\_\_\_ on the ground.
  - C. HE \_\_\_\_\_ my eyes.
  - D. HE told me to \_\_\_\_\_ to the pool and wash.
  - E. Now \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Your testimony does not have to be an account of years of poor \_\_\_\_\_, wrecked lives, unnecessary tragedy, and a life \_\_\_\_\_ over to sin. The greatest testimony is from a person that surrenders to CHRIST at a \_\_\_\_\_, then walks faithfully with HIM all their life.
4. Your Testimony can \_\_\_\_\_ and warm hearts, and cause people to take a step toward JESUS. Is. 55:11 (People come to CHRIST \_\_\_\_\_.)
5. Your Testimony can also put people in a \_\_\_\_\_. **V.16** Your Story makes them have to \_\_\_\_\_ what is really true, and what is the purpose of life.
 

**“How?” V.15, 16, 19, 20, 26** They may \_\_\_\_\_ (or think):

- A. "I see what has happened to you, but I am \_\_\_\_\_ that I can ..."
- B. "If I receive CHRIST, what do I have to \_\_\_\_\_?"
- C. "What will people \_\_\_\_\_ of me?"
- D. "I had my \_\_\_\_\_ all planned out, this will change if ..."

6. Christians don't share their Story because: Romans 1:16

- A. They don't know \_\_\_\_\_ and are afraid.
- B. They don't think their Story is \_\_\_\_\_ enough.
- C. They are afraid of \_\_\_\_\_. (rejection)
- D. They are \_\_\_\_\_ of their own Salvation.
- E. They know they are \_\_\_\_\_, therefore ...

7. You may get pushback against your Story. **V.34** I think this is \_\_\_\_\_,

- A. Because it means they are \_\_\_\_\_. (versus \_\_\_\_\_)  
Often you have to let people process this. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ or rush them.
- B. Because it means the Holy Spirit is bringing \_\_\_\_\_. John 16:8-10

## 11. Tips: Mark 8:38

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ your Faith Story. Writing it will cause you to think and \_\_\_\_\_ how good GOD has been to you. Keep it \_\_\_\_\_, but descriptive. (3-5 min.)  
Your Testimony should include: 1. Your life \_\_\_\_\_ CHRIST. 2. HOW you \_\_\_\_\_ CHRIST. 3. One positive \_\_\_\_\_ since receiving CHRIST.
- B. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you courage and \_\_\_\_\_ to share it.  
The more you share it, the more \_\_\_\_\_ you become.  
Acts 9, Acts 22, Acts 26
- C. Your Testimony is the \_\_\_\_\_ that creates interest, so you can then share the Gospel with someone.
- D. Take **Evangelism Explosion** Training, which will give you \_\_\_\_\_ and confidence. (starting in Feb. and Sept. for 12 weeks on Thursday nights)
- E. Remember, the Holy Spirit is the \_\_\_\_\_ Evangelist. We are only \_\_\_\_\_ for Eternity. Matthew 13:18
- F. Always be \_\_\_\_\_ and kind. Never bruise the fruit because you come across as condescending or pushy. We \_\_\_\_\_. We \_\_\_\_\_. We \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. But also grasp that you are talking about the Greatest \_\_\_\_\_, the Greatest \_\_\_\_\_, and the Greatest \_\_\_\_\_ ever offered. Therefore you never have to be \_\_\_\_\_ or cower. Our confidence is in the \_\_\_\_\_, not in ourselves.

