

Share the Gospel Story

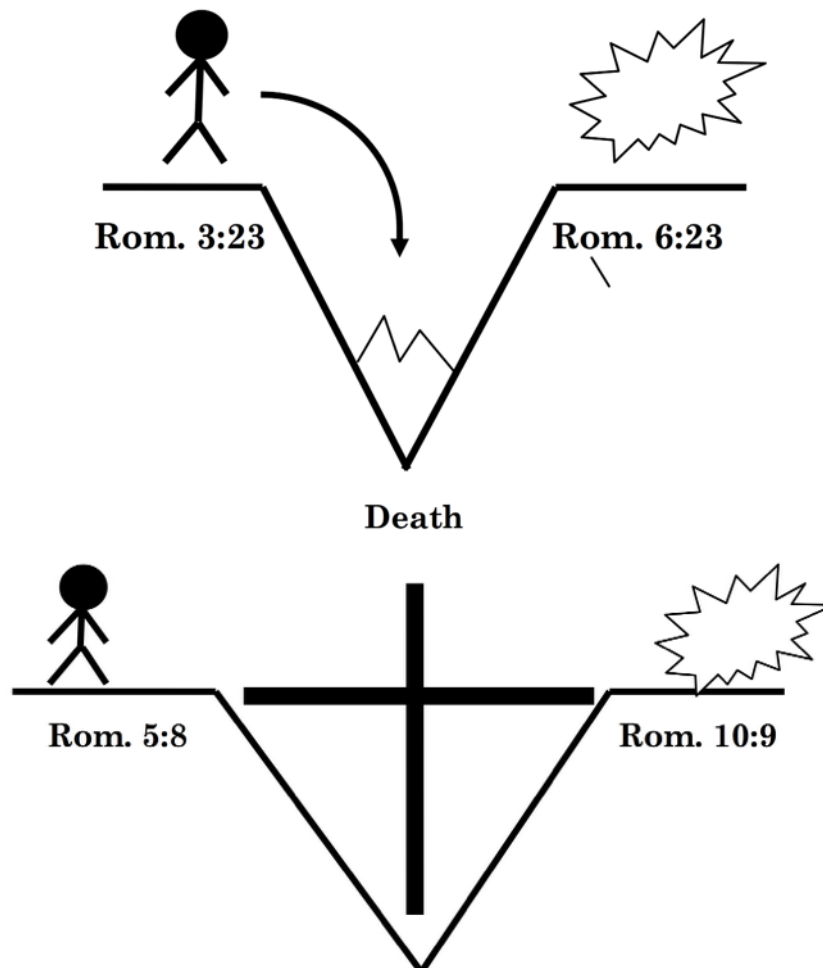
Instructions: Gather in small groups of 2-3 and practice drawing the gospel bridge picture below. Practice sharing the gospel story with your small group.

Romans 3:23 - All have sinned and fall short of God's glory.

Romans 6:23 - The wages of sin is death, but God's gift is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 5:8 - God demonstrates his own love for us in this way: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 10:9 - If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.



Invite your friend to follow Jesus

Instructions: After sharing Jesus' story with friends, we want to be intentional about inviting them to repent and follow Him. In your small groups, practice inviting each other to reconcile with God.

Questions:

- Are you a sinner?
- Do you want forgiveness for your sin?
- Do you believe that Jesus died on the cross for you and rose from the dead?
- Are you ready to repent of your sin and receive Jesus' sacrifice for you?
- Are you ready to surrender your life to Jesus and make him Lord of your life?

If your friend says "yes," they are ready to repent of sin and receive salvation. Coach them in how to repent. They can pray their own prayer, or you can lead them in a prayer.

Sample Sinner's Prayer:

Heavenly Father, I have sinned against you. I want forgiveness for all my sins. I believe Jesus died on the cross for me and rose again. Father, I give you my life to do with as you wish. I ask Jesus Christ to be Lord of my life. I receive Jesus' sacrifice for me today, and I will follow you for the rest of my life. In Jesus' name, amen.

When your friend receives Christ:

- **Train them**: My Story and Gospel Story. Will you obey God's call to share the gospel message?
- **List their oikos (relationships)**: Family, friends, co-workers, neighbors. With whom will you share your story and Jesus' story with this week?
- **Weekly discipleship plan**: Seven Commands of Christ. How will you obey Jesus?
- **Pray**: Prayer Requests. How can I pray for you and your family?

If your friend does not repent but wants to meet again:

- **Weekly discipleship plan**: Seven Stories of Hope. How will they obey and who can they tell?
- **Weekly invitation**: My Story and Gospel Story. Will they repent, believe, and receive Jesus?
- **Pray**: Prayer Requests. How can I pray for you and your family?

THE CALL -- 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21

Within minutes of someone coming to Christ, celebrate and read 2 Cor. 5:17-21 from the Bible!

Then ask these 3 questions:



What just happened?

You are a new creation in Christ!
The old you is gone and the new you has come!



How did it happen?


AN EXCHANGE WAS MADE!

GOD took your sin/mistakes and put them on Jesus at the cross and put the righteousness of Jesus on you!

Why did it happen?

GOD has brought you back to Himself to have a real and personal relationship with Him! He also has now made you His ambassador! He has given you what to say (the message) and what to do (the ministry) of reconciliation. He wants to use you to bring others back to Himself through Jesus!

ISN'T HE AWESOME!



Do you know anyone far from GOD?

Would you be willing to tell them what has happened here today?

Could we come back very soon to train you how to tell your story and Jesus' story in less than 3 minutes?

Write the names of all the people you can tell !!

Okay! What day and time can we meet together again ? Day _____ Time _____

List Your Oikos

Instructions: “Oikos” in the Greek language means “relationship network.” A person’s oikos is comprised of family, friends, coworkers, and anyone with whom they have influence. Coaching a new or seasoned disciple to list their relationships and categorize them by salvation or training needs is essential to seeing generational growth in a movement. We categorize an oikos using two categories: 1) People close to God, 2) People far from God. Review the action steps for each category below.

Listing Relationships and Staying Focused on Discipleship

Far From God:

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| 1) | 5) | 9) |
| 2) | 6) | 10) |
| 3) | 7) | 11) |
| 4) | 8) | 12) |

Action Steps Checklist:

- Set aside time each week to pray/fast for their salvation.
- Discover their story. Ask questions about family, interests, and beliefs.
- Share your Personal Testimony with them.
- Share the Gospel story with them and invite them to follow Jesus.
- Commit to a day, time, and location to meet each week for discipleship.

Near To God:

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| 2) | 6) | 10) |
| 3) | 7) | 11) |
| 4) | 8) | 12) |

Action Steps Checklist:

- Share your Personal Testimony with them.
- Share God’s vision for discipleship. Call them to obedience.
- Commit to a day, time, and location to go into the harvest field together.
- Model obedience for them in the harvest. Give them tasks immediately.
- Keep training and empowering those disciples who obey and bear fruit.