

GUIDE TO WRITING YOUR TESTIMONY

A "testimony" is a "declaration by a witness." To testify is to give evidence or proof of the truth. When you give your testimony, you are verifying the Gospel – the Good news of Jesus Christ, your Savior. (See as an example, the testimony of Paul in the 26th chapter of Acts.)

The goal of writing your testimony is to share your story with others of how you reached the point of understanding and accepting that you needed to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Revelation 12:11 tells us, "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony..." The Bible also tells us in 1 Peter 3:15 to always be ready "to give an account for the hope that is in you."

Writing your testimony will help you briefly declare the truth, and it will be a tool for you to use as you share with others what Jesus Christ has done for you. In addition, God will be glorified as you tell how He saved you.

Attached is a sample outline that you may wish to use. You do not have to use this form. This is just a suggested pattern to follow. (Do not strive to use fancy church words - just write the truth using your own words. Try to be clear and concise.)

- 1. Explain how you learned about Jesus. Who loved you enough to share with you about Jesus?
- 2. What made you realize you were a sinner, separated from a Holy God, and needed to repent of your sins? ("Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness." I John 3:4)
- 3. Briefly describe your decision to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior ("But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name." John 1:12) and ("that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation." Romans 10:9-10)
- 4. Share what is different in your life now that you are a follower of Jesus.

If you have questions, please contact Dennis Rasche at 409-6286 or contact your Counselor.



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