

## Conversation Starters

- When was the last time you taught someone how to do something?
- How did you prepare for it? What made you feel equipped to teach?

## Discuss

Christians are called to share about Christ with other people, but it’s not always easy to do, or may not come across as clearly as you would like. It helps to have prepared what you would actually say or do.

- Do you know what you would say to someone if you were trying to lead them to actually enter a relationship with Christ?
- Have you ever practiced saying it to someone?

We looked at a few examples of how exactly we could share about Christianity.

I. Briefly summarized, we become a real Christian by humbly receiving God’s gift of forgiveness and commit to follow His leadership.

- How do we tend to add to this, making it more complicated?

II. Sometime it helps to go back to the beginning, when God created us and how humanity rebelled and how that created a barrier between us and God. We looked at an analogy using our hands and a book to help illustrate this.

- Can you lead someone through this method of explaining Christianity?

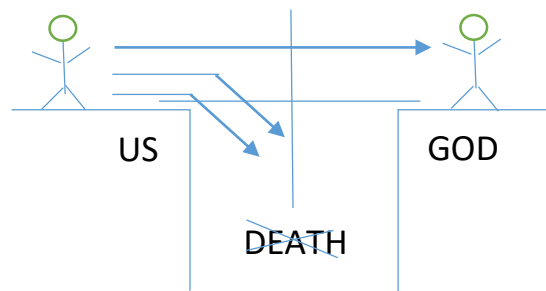
III. Using a Bible verse can also be useful. We used Romans 6:23 to speak about sin and its penalty and explaining the gift that has been offered to satisfy the penalty.

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 6:23)*

- Do you know of any other Bible verses that help you explain Christianity?
- Do you have them memorized?

IV. Some people may learn better by having a visual. We looked at one sketch for how to talk about it, inspired by Paul’s first letter to Timothy.

*“...God is on one side and all the people are on the other side, and Christ Jesus...is between them to bring them together, by giving His life for all mankind.” (1 Timothy 2:5)*



- Are you able to speak to each element of this sketch?
- What are some other ways that you have seen this done?

After someone gets to a point of being able to make an informed decision about where they land, there is a final important piece to actually lead someone across the line to Christianity. There are four crucial commitments that are actually being made:

1. Own up to the truth about yourself
2. Be willing to change
3. Believe the Message
4. Receive the Gift

- Are you prepared to lead someone in this prayer?
- How does that prayer read for you as you would speak it?

## Next Steps

Write out what your conversation would look like for sharing Christ with someone and leading them across the line to Christianity. Practice saying it out loud.

## Pray

Father, thank you for Jesus and for offering us the gift of salvation and a restored relationship with You. Please give us wisdom as we prepare the right words to say as we share our faith with others, and to be able to lead them into a relationship with You as well. Help us to identify those people in our lives that don't know you and take the steps we need to have those conversations and invite them into that relationship.