

# How to Share Your Faith without an Argument

## ***Benefits of This Method***

- You don't really need to memorise anything, as most of it is written out in a paperback New Testament. That means you can use it right away without a lot of rehearsal.
- The plan is very easy to memorise if you choose to do so.
- You do very little talking. The person to whom you are witnessing actually does most of the reading and interpreting of the gospel message. The Holy Spirit is the teacher.
- The person you are sharing with can take the Bible home when you are finished sharing. Since the questions and scriptures are all written inside, he or she can review it all easily.

## ***Preparing the Materials***

Get a paperback New Testament, preferably a modern-language translation. Do the following ahead of time:

- Write the Five Opening Questions (below) inside the front cover. Under the list of questions, write "Turn to Romans 3.23" with the appropriate page number for that Bible.
- Go to the page where Romans 3.23 is located, and on that page write the next reference and page number. Do this for each of the Six Scriptures. On the page where the last Bible verse is located, write "Turn to the inside back cover."
- Write the Five Concluding Questions inside the back cover.
- Be sure to write your name and contact information somewhere so you can be reached.

## ***Five Opening Questions***

This section will help you "test the waters" to see where the person is spiritually and to determine his or her level of receptivity. It also prepares the person to hear the gospel message. Start by opening to the inside front cover and read each question one by one:

1. ***"Do you have any kind of spiritual beliefs?"***  
Be open to hear what the person has to say, and don't challenge their beliefs.
2. ***"To you, who is Jesus?"***  
At this point it will be evident whether or not you are speaking to a believer or an unbeliever. If you find that you are talking with a genuine believer, you should stop and celebrate your fellowship in Christ. If not, then proceed.
3. ***"Do you think there is a heaven and a hell?"***  
Again, don't disagree with their opinion.
4. ***"If you died right now, where would you go?"***
5. ***"If what you believed were not true, would you want to know?"***  
This question is your way of asking permission to proceed. If the person says "no," then stop and take up the challenge another time. Otherwise, continue with the next section.

## ***Six Scriptures***

Turn to the first verse below and let the person read it aloud. Then ask, “*What does it say to you?*” Avoid putting the person on the spot, but be reaffirming with his or her response if it is anywhere near correct. You can share any important insights that they may have missed. Then look up the next verse and repeat the process until all six verses have been discussed.

1. **Romans 3:23**
2. **Romans 6:23<sup>1</sup>**
3. **1 Peter 3:18**
4. **John 14:6**
5. **Romans 10:9, 10, 13**
6. **Revelation 3:20<sup>2</sup>**

## ***Five Concluding Questions***

Finally, turn to the inside back cover and ask the following questions one by one:

1. ***“Are you a sinner?”***
2. ***“Do you want to be forgiven of your sins?”***
3. ***“Do you believe Jesus died on the cross for you and rose from the dead?”***
4. ***“Are you willing to surrender yourself to Christ?”***
5. ***“Are you willing to invite Jesus into your life right now?”***

If the person responds positively to these questions and you sense that this person sincerely wants to invite Jesus into his or her life, take time to pray together. Help the person to pray by reflecting on the verses they read, asking God's forgiveness and inviting Jesus to come in. Then lead in a prayer of thanks for God's redeeming grace, and welcome that person to God's wonderful family.

## ***Follow Up***

If you are able to go through most of the presentation, give the person the New Testament which you used to share with them—regardless of their decision. For those who receive Christ, make arrangements to integrate the person into a small group for disciple training and fellowship with other believers. For those who do not receive Christ, arrange to meet again soon or invite him or her into a discovery Bible study group.



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1 When the person has responded, circle the word “sin” and remark that it is singular. Underline the word “death” and explain that this refers to spiritual death. In summary, “*one sin will send you to hell.*”

2 Ask what the “door” here signifies, and whether he or she understands it means the door of the heart.