



**ONE<sup>TM</sup>**

**MINUTE WITNESS**

Easy Faith-Sharing

# IF GOD ASKS YOU TO GIVE HIM ONE MINUTE EACH DAY, WILL YOU BE WILLING?

Aren't you glad someone shared their faith with you? If Jesus is the answer, shouldn't we be actively sharing His solutions with others in this broken world?

## **"ME? SHARE MY FAITH?"**

Yes—God has chosen you and me to be His ambassadors, His voice, His beating heart. Why? Because there is no better advertisement for His life-changing love than you and me! We are His trophies of grace.

Maybe you're thinking "EVANGELISM IS TOO HARD," or "IT'S THE PASTOR'S JOB." Or maybe you're worried someone might ask a hard question.

These thoughts and fears aren't new. They simply reflect creative thinking and spiritual fears on the part of our own insecurities. God invites all Christians to share their faith-story. Sharing our faith not only blesses the recipient—it blesses us back. Plus, God gives us the Holy Spirit to help us, so we never do this alone.

Let's decide to shut off that voice of insecurity and ask God to give us ears to hear His voice of compassion!

ALL OF US CAN DO THIS. We all have a story, and this **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™** tool makes it fun and easy. After learning and applying this **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™** tool, a pastor said:

"To think I have wasted all these years by not sharing my faith. Now I can daily do it with confidence."

... **AND SO CAN YOU!**

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Tom Elie".

Tom Elie

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# INVITING THE HOLY SPIRIT

The **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™** tool is a simple aid to help you share the life-changing story of Jesus. It's only a tool. It is NOT the message. Our confidence must rest in the leading of the Holy Spirit and His ability to "draw all men unto Him" (John 12:32).

Jesus often approached strangers—like the woman at the well, Zacchaeus in a tree, and Matthew the tax collector. At other times, He built relationships first and then shared. But in every case, He was quick to obey God's voice, and **compassion** always compelled Him.

So when, how, and with whom do you share your faith? Begin each day with this prayer:

**"LORD, I'M AVAILABLE TODAY!"**

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## PERMISSION

Because God loves people, He wants us to tell them about Jesus, whether they are strangers or friends. Here's a great way to start:

### PERMISSION

When we ask people permission to share our thoughts, we treat them with respect, and their defenses come down. Here's a few ways to transition your conversation. —>



**(Pick a question or write your own.)**

**"I'M WORKING ON AN ASSIGNMENT.  
MAY I ASK YOU A QUESTION?"**

**"WHAT IS THE BEST THING THAT  
HAS EVER HAPPENED TO YOU?"**

**"MAY I TELL YOU THE BEST  
THING IN MY LIFE?"**

**"I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF FEAR IN  
OUR WORLD. MAY I TELL YOU HOW I  
OVERCOME MY FEAR?"**

**"BEFORE I LEAVE YOU TODAY, DO  
YOU HAVE A QUICK MINUTE TO HEAR  
MY STORY?"**



## **BEFORE** **CHRIST**

**(B.C.)**

TO BEGIN YOUR B.C.  
STORY  
**SEE PAGE 16.**

We all have a story from before we met Jesus.

**This is our 'B.C.' moment.** Think back to a time in your life when things felt empty, uncertain, or broken. That's where your story begins.

Describe your sinful and broken habits before you met Jesus.

Start your sentence with:  
**"There was a time  
in my life when..."**



Perhaps you were lonely, prideful or lacked purpose. Maybe you had success without significance, lots of guilt or anxiety. Maybe you were hopeless in life or angry at God, or afraid to die. The list goes on.

Perhaps you surrendered your life to Christ at a young age and can't remember a specific moment of conversion. You probably remember your need for forgiveness, feelings of guilt, and knowing there has to be a God.

As you remember your B.C. days your story begins to take shape. Go ahead and finish this sentence **on page 16.**

**Write three adjectives or phrases for:**  
**"There was a time in my life when..."**



# TURNING POINT (T.P.)

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“And then one day...”

This is the moment everything changed. Your turning point is when you realized who Jesus is and what He's done for you.

Maybe someone shared the Gospel with you. Maybe you cried out to God during a difficult season, or experienced His love in a way you couldn't ignore.



## Here's a T.P. example:

"One day someone told me about a God who really loves me. This God was personal and not distant, and invited me to live in heaven with Him forever. But I had a problem. Heaven's perfect, and I'm not, so I couldn't get in.

But God made a way for me. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die and pay the penalty for my sins. When I realized Jesus died for my sins and rose again, I invited Him to become the leader of my life."

## What was your TURNING POINT?

How did you hear about Jesus?

What did you ask Jesus to do in your life?

**Write this on page 17.**



## AFTER DECISION

(A.D.)

TO BEGIN YOUR A.D.  
STORY  
**SEE PAGE 18.**

### A.D. means AFTER DECISION.

This is the easiest and most fun part of our story, because we get to talk about the positive change Christ has made in our lives.

How has your thinking shifted? What's different about how you handle stress, relationships, or purpose?

Maybe you have experienced new peace, joy, new friends, forgiveness, or the promise of heaven!

Focus on what's real and authentic to you. Keep it brief and personal.



**Start your sentence with:  
“Since I’ve met Jesus, I...”**

**Here’s an A.D. example:**  
“Since I’ve met Jesus, I have new purpose, new joy, and the confidence that I can go to heaven when I die.”

FIND THREE ADJECTIVES THAT  
DESCRIBE THE POSITIVE BENEFITS  
JESUS HAS MADE IN YOUR LIFE.

**Take a moment to reflect.**

**Turn to page 18** when you’re ready  
to write your answers.



## IF I HAD NEVER MET JESUS, I...

Imagine what your life would be like without knowing Jesus. That sounds frightening, doesn't it? You certainly wouldn't have the blessings you just described in A.D.

Let's wrap up your story with what your life might be like if you had never met Jesus. When you speak, the listener will hear your heart. Some people say their life would be empty, meaningless or still searching for purpose. Others say they would be in jail, on drugs, divorced, or even dead.

Life would be radically different.



When you're done, thank them for listening.

I am told the average person hears the Gospel 7 times before they give their life to Christ. Our immediate goal is not to win them to Christ, but to plant the seed with your testimony. Anything more than that is a bonus!

You can respond to their questions if they are open to talk more. Just don't get into a discussion over doctrine. The power of your story is simply sharing your heart. It's like the blind man who said, "I don't know much about this man who healed me. All I know is that I once was blind, but now I see."  
(John 9:25).

Write your answer on page 19:  
**IF I HAD NEVER MET JESUS, I...**



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**BEFORE CHRIST**  
**(B.C.)**

**FINISH THIS SENTENCE WITH  
THREE ADJECTIVES OR PHRASES:**

**"There was a time in my life when..."**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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## WHAT WAS YOUR TURNING POINT?

### 1. How did you hear about Jesus?

"And then one day..."

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### 2. Finish this sentence:

"When I realized Jesus died for my sins and rose again, I invited Him to..."

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**AFTER DECISION**  
**(A.D.)**

**DESCRIBE THE POSITIVE BENEFITS  
JESUS HAS MADE IN YOUR LIFE.**

**"Since I've met Jesus, I..."**

**1.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**2.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**3.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**"IF I HAD NEVER  
MET JESUS, I..."**

## **WHAT WOULD YOUR LIFE LOOK LIKE WITHOUT CHRIST?**

**"If I had never met Jesus, I..."**

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**"Thank you for listening.  
This same Jesus loves you  
very, very much!"**



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# TAKING IT FURTHER...

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After sharing the **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™**, you may ask them questions such as:

1. "So what about you? If you died tonight, do you think you would go to heaven?"
2. "How do you think someone gets to heaven?"
3. "May I tell you how the Bible says you can know you're going to heaven?"

If their answer is "yes," introduce the  
**'A,B,C's.'**

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**A. ADMIT** I have done wrong, and my sin separates me from a holy God.  
(Romans 3:23)

**B. BELIEVE** that Jesus Christ died to forgive me, and then rose again, proving He is the one true God. (Romans 10:9-10)

**C. CONFESS** my sins, and ask Jesus to be the leader and savior of my life.  
(1 John 1:9)

If they understand the A,B,C's, then ask this key question:

**"What would stop you from totally surrendering your life to Jesus Christ today?"**

If there's nothing stopping them, then ask,

**"With God's help, would you be willing to turn away from what the Bible calls 'sin,' and follow Jesus daily?"**



# CLOSING YOUR STORY...

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If they say “yes,” then ask them to say a heartfelt prayer using the **A,B,C’s** you just learned, or ‘The Salvation Poem.’  
[Find it on page 25.]

When they are done, congratulate them, and point them toward 3 things: reading the Bible daily, praying daily, and finding a Bible-believing church to attend weekly. Exchange emails and phone numbers, and contact them again within 24 hours to congratulate them.



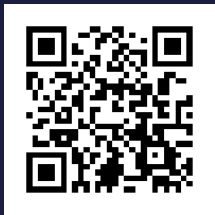
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When you call them, ask them to read John 3:16-17 to you, and then ask them what it means to them. Ask them how you can pray for them, and invite them to go with you to church or your small group.

**HERE'S YOUR FOLLOW-UP  
WEBSITE TO GIVE THEM:**

**[frostygrapes.com](http://frostygrapes.com)**





**"LORD, I'M AVAILABLE TODAY.  
PLEASE PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY  
TO SHARE MY STORY TODAY. AMEN."**



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# THE SALVATION POEM

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Jesus, You died upon a cross  
And rose again to save the lost  
Forgive me now of all my sin  
Come be my Savior, Lord, and Friend  
Change my life and make it new  
And help me, Lord, to live for You

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## 1. Introduce **COMPASSION**

Reference Matthew 9:36.

## 2. Give **1 MINUTE** to memorize

Help them learn the 5 Fingers (Page 5).

## 3. Train the **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™**

Go one finger at a time:

- Read the page aloud from the booklet for that finger.
- Share your own example/testimony for that finger.
- Write their response, giving them 1 minute of silence to think about it.
- Interview 3 people to hear what they wrote.
- Have them practice with their partner.

## 4. **Demonstrate your full story** — Share your complete **ONE MINUTE WITNESS™** as an example.

## 5. **Partner sharing** — Ask everyone to share their full story with their partner.

## 6. **Switch it up**

Everyone practices again with a new partner.

## 7. **Take it further**

Read pages 20–21 together.



**8. Train APPLICATION** — Ask these 3 questions:

- How many understand the *ONE MINUTE WITNESS™*?
- How many could use this tool outside the seminar?
- When should we start using it — Next year? Next month? When?

**9. Instruct for APPLICATION**

“We’ll all go outside now...”

- Each person should share with at least 4 people.
- Return at [insert time].  
(We suggest 60–75 minutes, depending on how close they are to busy public areas.)

**10. After returning**

Ask 3 people to share their favorite story.

**11. 21-DAY CHALLENGE** — Ask who will commit to sharing for 21 days with their partner. Sign up Covenant Ambassadors with the QR code on the back of this booklet.

**12. Next steps** — Invite them to bring a friend to next month’s training.



Join others who are serious about taking their faith to a new level. Write out your story online, and share it today!

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