

Notes | November 23rd, 2025

# **How to Share Your Faith**

Hospitality can be more than just kindness. At the heart of it, hospitality is a kingdom strategy. Our hospitality becomes the doorway through which people can glimpse Jesus. It creates opportunity for conversations that point to Him. Conversations that ultimately point to the truth of the gospel. The gospel we carry is simple yet powerful: Jesus lived, died, and rose to save sinners who trust Him. Salvation isn't earned. It's received by grace through repentance, belief, and surrender. Hospitality for the sake of evangelism also isn't a pressure we have to carry. In fact, it's participation in God's rescue mission. May we use our homes, tables, schedules, and conversations to overcome barriers to our faith and instead become spaces that point straight to Jesus.

# **Key Scripture | Matthew 5:16**

"In the same way let your light shine before others. That they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven."

### **Icebreakers:**

Q: What one subject or topic could you talk about for a long time?



Key Thoughts and Reflections:	

#### I. Barrier: We are too busy to see the calling.

Q: Where does busyness most often blind you to the opportunities God is placing in your everyday life, and what would it look like to "make room" for hospitality in those spaces?

Q: When you hear the Great Commission, do you naturally see it as *your* calling or primarily the church's responsibility? Why do you think so many believers feel evangelism is someone else's job?

Q: Whether or not you have the spiritual gift of evangelism, what is one "open door" you could intentionally look for this week to share your faith?

### II. Barrier: We feel unqualified by our past.

Q: When you think about sharing your faith, what parts of your past make you feel unqualified or hypocritical, and how does the story of the woman at the well challenge that fear?

Q: In what ways has Jesus transformed you (your "old house" to your "new house") and how could that transformation become part of the testimony God wants to use?

Q: Who in your life might need to hear your "before Jesus" story this week, and what would it look like to trust that God uses transformed people, not perfect ones, to open hearts?

### III. Barrier: We lack passion or compassion.

Q: Where have comfort or routine dulled your compassion for people far from God, and how does the urgency of the gospel challenge that comfort?

Q: We naturally "evangelize" for things we love, restaurants, teams, trends. What does that reveal about how awe and affection fuel sharing, and where might you have grown too accustomed to the goodness of Jesus?

Q: How might praying for a fresh compassion for the lost and a renewed passion for the gospel change the way you approach your "one"?

### IV. Barrier: We don't believe sharing our faith is effective anymore.

Q: Talk about a past experience of "failed" faith-sharing. How did it shape your willingness to share the gospel?

Q: Jesus teaches that we sow seeds, not control the soil. What would it look like to focus on obedience in sharing instead of results?

Q: Why do you think it's important to celebrate obedience (praying, inviting, having spiritual conversations) rather than just conversions?



#### **Get Practical**

This week, begin **praying daily for gospel opportunities**, especially for one person near you who is far from God. Ask God each morning for a divine appointment, stay alert for open doors throughout the day, and thank Him in the evening for the seeds you planted. Practice the "one-degree shift": turn everyday conversations slightly spiritual. Pray when someone shares stress, share what God taught you over the weekend, or point to Jesus when giving a compliment. Prepare a three-minute version of your story: life before Jesus, how you met Him, and life since, freed, forgiven, and living with purpose. Finally, make **invitations to church**, especially services like Christmas Eve, and pray for the person as you invite them. Small, consistent steps bring opportunities for God to grow His kingdom. Share with your group or a friend how you see God move through your obedience this week.