

# PERSONAL TESTIMONY

A SHORT TESTIMONY IS TO “TESTIFY” ABOUT A SPECIFIC EVENT IN WHICH YOU ENCOUNTERED JESUS. THE PURPOSE IS TO CONVEY TO YOUR LISTENERS WHO JESUS IS AND HOW HE HAS IMPACTED YOUR LIFE.

"AND THIS IS THE TESTIMONY, THAT GOD GAVE US ETERNAL LIFE,  
AND THIS LIFE IS IN HIS SON"  
1 JOHN 5:11

- A TESTIMONY IS ESSENTIALLY A FAITH STORY ABOUT A REAL ENCOUNTER YOU HAD WITH JESUS. IT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE FIRST TIME YOU ACCEPTED JESUS AS YOUR SAVIOR BUT THIS WORKSHEET IS MEANT TO SPECIFICALLY ASSIST YOU WITH A 3-MINUTE SALVATION TESTIMONY.
- WHY 3 MINUTES? THIS IS TYPICALLY THE AMOUNT OF TIME YOU WILL HAVE TO SHARE IN A GROUP SETTING, AT A STORE, TALKING TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AT THE MAILBOX, OR IN CHURCH.
- SET THE SCENE WITH LIMITED DETAILS (YOUR LISTENERS DO NOT NEED BACK STORY OR SIDE DETAILS)
- HAVE A **BEGINNING** (YOUR LIFE BEFORE CHRIST), **MIDDLE** (YOUR SALVATION EXPERIENCE) AND **END** (YOUR LIFE AFTER CHRIST)
- WHEN DESCRIBING YOUR SALVATION EXPERIENCE, BE CLEAR ABOUT WHAT SALVATION ENTAILS. AS YOU CONSIDER WHAT TO INCLUDE, CONSIDER WHETHER YOUR TESTIMONY INCLUDES ENOUGH DETAIL FOR A PERSON TO KNOW HOW TO BE SAVED.
- TIME YOURSELF. IF YOU HAVE A CLEAR AND CONCISE BEGINNING, MIDDLE AND END, YOU WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH 3 MINUTES.

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CHRIST

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SALVATION  
EXPERIENCE

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LIFE AFTER  
CHRIST

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