

2. Communicating the Good News. **Read Romans 10:14-17.**

a) **How** did you hear the gospel (who, where, when)? If possible, find a way this week to thank the person(s) for influencing you to give your life to Christ!

b) **What** did you understand about the claims of Jesus Christ? This is the part of your testimony that must be clear and about Him, not you!

3. Proclaiming His praises! **Read Isaiah 52:7.** In biblical times, there was not Fox News to take people into the battle zone via television or internet. Instead, messengers ran from the war zones to inform family and friends of the outcome of the battles. This passage is one of victory, "Your God reigns!"

a) Psalm 66:16 says, "*Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what He has done for me.*"

1. What is an area where you have seen **change in your life** because of Jesus? A true testimony relates to personal experience.

2. How has God **comforted** you through relational conflict, deep loss, illness, financial or job pressures? You have a message!

b) This is how we can preach without 'preaching!' We can cultivate the habit of seeing all of life as an opportunity to express gratitude to God. No child of God is exempt from this type of 'preaching ministry.' Finally, **read Jeremiah 20:9.** Pray for our testimonies to burst from an inward fire. We are to preach the gospel, without 'preaching' and talk about Jesus. We have to talk about our faith, putting spiritual concepts into plain, everyday words. You can do it!

c) Share with your group one person you spend time with regularly who does not know Christ, but who you are praying will come to know Him.

Prayer

"And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike."
Ephesians 6:19

Final Thought

Peter had an opportunity to talk with people about Jesus. Peter made a point of being around people who did not know Jesus. We need to place ourselves where we can interact with those who do not know Jesus. Then we must have the ability to articulate the Gospel to them by spelling out who God is, what kind of damage our sin has caused and how each of us needs to receive the forgiveness and life that Christ offers.