

**LESSON PREP**

Have you ever taken a moment and asked other believers around you how they present the Gospel to others?

Sometimes it helps us formulate our thoughts and refine what we share when we listen to others share the Gospel. At the end of Titus, Paul gives a very quick but impactful sharing of the Gospel.

**PRE LG TEXT MESSAGE QUESTIONS**

How would you share the Gospel with someone? Tonight we'll look at one of the times that the Apostle Paul shared the Gospel. Come join us!

**SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION**

Titus 3:7

**10N1 FOLLOW UP**

Take time to practice sharing the Gospel with one another. As you go through it, use the opportunity to explore the different parts and make sure there is understanding throughout. Pray for greater understanding in any places they may be lacking and pray for opportunities to share the Gospel more.

**INTRODUCTION**

Think of a classic fairytale or children's story that it is likely that everyone in your group will know. Ask a few different people to share their version of the story. After the last few people retell the story – discuss whether people adjusted their telling of the story as others went before them.

**SAY SOMETHING LIKE:** *When we hear how others share something, it makes us think through the way that we would share it. Throughout the New Testament the Gospel is shared in various ways by many different people. Reading the way that others have shared the Gospel can help us formulate the way that we share it. At the end of Titus, Paul very simply recaps the Gospel. Let's read it together.*

Read Titus 3:3-8

**SAY SOMETHING LIKE:** *Too often we don't share our faith or the Gospel because we think we must know the entire Bible cover to cover before we can share. That's not what is asked of us though. We are asked to be a witness. This means we only share what we have seen/experienced. If we are a believer, we have seen/experienced the Gospel in our lives. In Titus, Paul also shows us that the Gospel does not have to be long or wordy or eloquent.*

**1. What have you always considered to be the key components of the Gospel?**

- What are the bare minimum things that need to be included in order to present the Gospel and salvation to someone?

**2. What are the key components of the Gospel that Paul outlined?**

- At one time we were enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures (sin) – vs. 3
- It is because of God's kindness and love that He made a way – vs. 4
- Our Savior appeared (Jesus was born and lived on earth) – vs. 4
- Jesus saved us not because of righteous things we have done – vs. 5
- We are saved by God's mercy – vs. 5
- We are saved through the washing of Jesus blood – vs. 5
- We are given and renewed by the Holy Spirit – vs. 6
- We are justified by grace not works – vs. 7
- Through grace and belief in Jesus we find eternal life – vs. 7
- Once we have given our lives to Christ we should devote ourselves to Him – vs. 8

**3. Is there anything that Paul shared that you don't understand or had not considered to be part of the Gospel before?****4. After looking at the way Paul outlined things in Titus, do you feel like you need to change how you share the Gospel?**

**SAY SOMETHING LIKE:** *Because sharing the Gospel is about being a witness to the things that God has done in our lives, it can look different for all of us in the way that we approach it. However we do want to make sure that we hit the highlights so that people are able to understand who Jesus is and what He has done for us.*

**APPLICATION**

Knowing how to share the Gospel is preparation for sharing the Gospel. Who have you shared the Gospel with lately? Who do you need to share it with soon? Let's pray for boldness and opportunities to share who Jesus is.

