The 60-Second Testimony Template

Having a short, one-minute personal testimony to share is extremely useful because it is non-threatening, story based, and can be shared anywhere with anyone (casually in the check out line at Walmart, in a conversation with a friend, with a stranger on the airplane, online in a social media reply, etc.)

This sheet will help you discover how to prepare your 60-second testimony. Take about 10-15 minutes to work through the questions below, then fill out your template to create your own 60-second story... and start sharing TODAY!

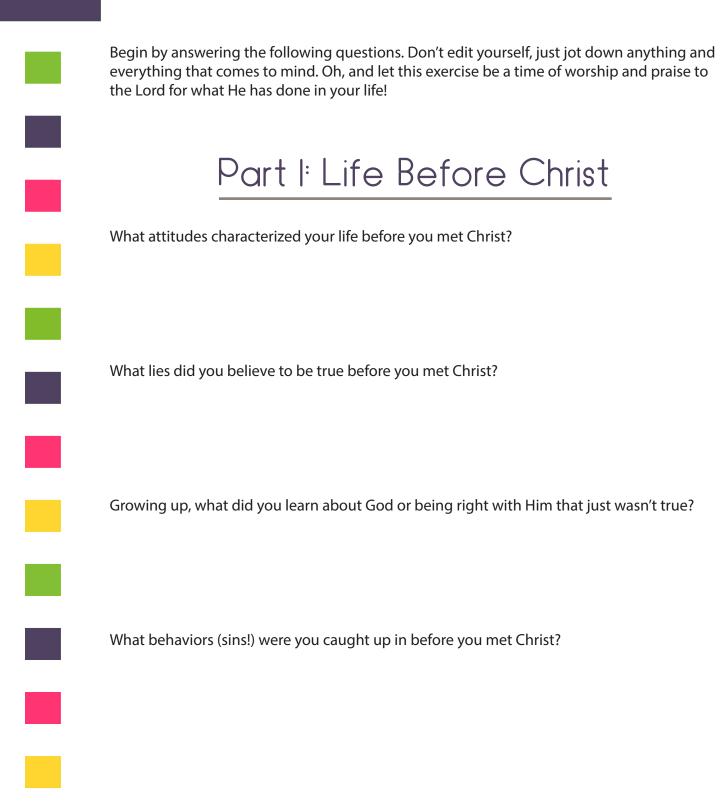
3 - Part Template Overview

In Acts 26, Paul shares his testimony in front of King Agrippa. In this passage, Paul provides a 3-part template for sharing our personal story of salvation. {You may want to read the chapter to see it for yourself- it's a good one!}

- 1. In verses 1-11, Paul describes his upbringing and life before Christ. He tells what characterized his life (self-righteousness and rage) as well as his behaviors (persecution and oppression of Christians).
- 2. In verses 12-18, Paul recounts his encounter with Christ. He describes the setting (where it happened, what time of day) and what happened in great detail (what God spoke to His heart and how it affected him).
- 3. Finally, in verses 19-23, Paul shares how he responded to Christ and his life since that time (what pivots he made, how his activities changed, how God worked in his life).

We can use this same template to craft a simple story to share EVERYWHERE! While a sermon might be off-putting, story opens the hearts of the listener and no one can argue against what you experienced.:)

The Prep Sheets



Part II: Conversion Experience



Part III: Life After Christ



Testimony Template

Now it's time to create your 60-second story! Look back through all your notes above and fill in the blanks with the big ideas from each section.

Big idea (s	summary) from Part I	il:		
Big idea (s	summary) from Part l	III:		

Final fill in:

but	t then (fill in big idea from Part II)
anc	d everything changed by (how) (fill in big idea from Part III)
com	re you have it! Now start by practicing your short story with 5 people you KNO nfortable sharing it. You're not allowed to practice more than 5 times though- hare it with others and you'll never feel "ready" (trust me!) Pray, trust God, and