



## 5 WAYS TO BE A BETTER WITNESS FOR CHRIST

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Beginning a relationship with Christ is the most important thing a person can do, and you can help them. But how do you increase your witness for Christ? These are 5 things you can start doing today.

### 1. Be Filled with the Spirit

It is important to be in a right relationship with God as you talk to others about how they can know God. So that means maintaining short accounts with God and others and confessing sin. Practice "Spiritual Breathing" and being filled with the Spirit.

### 2. Pray for Opportunities

While serving as missionaries overseas, two roommates started praying for a man who had attended church, but didn't truly understand about Jesus. The two men prayed specifically that the Lord would wake this man up in the middle of the night and give him dreams about God.

A few weeks later, the man came to a meeting and said, "I woke up in the middle of the night and I had this picture I couldn't get out of my mind."

A Cru staff member asked him, "What was it? Can you draw it for me?"

While the student drew the images, the staff member recognized the drawing and thought: "Did I ever show him the Four Laws gospel booklet?" But he hadn't. So he pulled out the booklet and began going through it with him.



When he got to the diagram, the student asked, "How does this man have my picture in his book?"

"This is the biggest evidence I've ever seen that there's a God," the staff member told him. "He put the exact picture in your head that I was going to show you in our meeting."

A few weeks later, the student placed his faith in Christ.

### 3. Be Authentic

People don't care about how much you know, they want to know that you care for them. Don't put on a front, but instead maintain a humble attitude. The Apostle Paul writes to the Christians in Philippi and expresses his care and concern for them: "For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus" ([Philippians 1:8](#)).

### 4. Ask Questions

As you talk to others about Jesus, don't do a stand-up monologue. Engage in a conversation, but at the same time, keep the focus on the message of the gospel. Jesus taught by asking questions. Phillip asked the Ethiopian eunuch if he understood what he was reading. Doug Pollack's book, *God Space*, offers a list of 99 wondering questions to choose from to help you can connect with others.

### 5. Ask People for a Response

If you're not using a specific gospel explanation like the Four Laws or "The Would You Like to Know God Personally booklet?" take the time to ask the person to respond to Christ's invitation. [Acts 2:37-38](#) says:

*"Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'"*