

WEEK 4 OF RENEW

THIS WEEK'S TOPIC: **Sharing your Faith**

WHAT IS FAITH?

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1

WHY SHARE YOUR FAITH?

- Sharing your faith grows your faith.
- Sharing your faith builds relationships with other people.
- Sharing your faith strengthens community.
- Sharing your faith is a way to love others.
- Sharing your faith glorifies God.
- God commands us to share our faith.

HAVE COURAGE / BE BOLD

2 Timothy 1:7-8

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, or of me His prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God.

HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH

1 . Seek it

- Intentionally seek God.
- Reflect and evaluate.

For Reflection:

- Where have you seen God working in your life over the past year?

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

Matthew 7:7-8

2 . Share it

- Verbally share your faith story.
- Find clarity in your story.

For Reflection:

How can you concisely share your own faith story in just a few minutes?

TEMPLATE FOR SHARING

- What your life looked like before Jesus.
- How you discovered your faith.
- How Jesus has changed your life.

3 . Live it

- Live out your faith through your actions.
- Look to Jesus as the example.

For Reflection:

- Who inspires you by the way they live out their faith, and why?

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

John 13:34-35

BE ENCOURAGED:

- We all have something to offer in our stories.
- Our job is just to plant the seed.
- God will grow it into something significant.

So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, Who makes things grow.

1 Corinthians 3:7