

# Sharing the Gospel

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**Text:** Acts 17:1-9

## **1. Use Scripture to share the Gospel.** *Acts 13, 17-41, 17:2-3; 1 Peter 3:15*

Make a case for Christ using reasoning, explaining why He had to suffer, die, and rise again for the salvation of all mankind. Jesus did this Himself! Look at Luke 24:25-27. Here's some key parts of the Old Testament that reveal God's plan of redemption:

- **The Old Testament.**

### **The Fall -Genesis 3**

### **Redemption Plan -Genesis 3:15**

**Abrahamic Covenant -Genesis 12:2, 3, 7** All the families of the earth would be blessed through him.

**The Passover -Exodus 12** Pointing toward Jesus as our Passover Lamb who's shed blood is our salvation.

**The Law of Moses -Exodus 20:1-17** A law that reveals our need for a savior.

**The Priesthood -Numbers 18** Pointing toward Jesus who would become our high priest who was as the spotless lamb able to pay the perfect sacrifice for our sins.

**Story of Ruth** -her child is an ancestor of Jesus.

**The Davidic Covenant -2 Samuel 7:12-16** God promised that David would have a descendant who would sit on the throne. Jesus fulfilled that role after He died and was resurrected.

**The Prophets -Isaiah 53, Jeremiah 31:31-34, Daniel 2 (and others)** The prophets tell us in advance about the plan of redemption fulfilled by Jesus.

- **The New Testament**

**The Romans Road -Romans 3:23, 3:10, 5:12, 6:23, 5:8, 10:9-10, 10:13, 10:17**

**John 1:12, 3:3, 3:16, 8:32, 14:6**

Write these verses in the margins of your Bible so you will know which verse to go to next.

## **2. Expect opposition.** *Matthew 5:10-12, John 15:18-25, 1 Peter 4:14*

Jesus said we would be persecuted. The world will hate us because they hated Him.

Remember though, Jesus said in Matthew 5:11-12, "Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." God knows we will be persecuted. Don't stop telling the Truth. People's lives are in the balance. We have to warn people about the bad news and tell them the Good News.

Jesus is alive! He died for their sins and rose again to show us He is in fact God. Every knee will bow before Jesus and confess Him as Lord, whether they like it or not. Let's let everyone know the Gospel so they can kneel before Him as a child of God. Time is short.