

Be Ready to Give a Defense

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Text: Acts 26 (NASB)

- 1. Be ready to give a defense for what you believe and why you live for Christ.** *Acts 26:1-2, 1 Peter 3:15*
- 2. Find common ground.** *Acts 26:5*
- 3. Appeal to reason.** *Acts 26:8*
- 4. Describe your life without Christ.** *Acts 26:9-11*
- 5. Describe how you came to faith in Jesus.** *Acts 26:12-17*
- 6. Be ready to explain the Gospel.** *Acts 26:18*
- 7. Describe your life with Christ.** *Acts 26:19-20*
- 8. Remind people that we need to repent.** *Isaiah 55:6-7, Matthew 4:17, Acts 3:19, Acts 26:20*
- 9. Remember that the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing.** *1 Corinthians 1:18, 2 Corinthians 4:4, Ephesians 4:17-19*
- 10. Pray that their eyes will be opened to see the truth.** *Luke 24:45-47, John 6:44 and 65; Acts 26:18, 2 Corinthians 3:12-18.*
- 11. Pray for an opportunity to share your faith.** *Ephesians 5:16, Colossians 4:2-3*