



Loving Through Witness September 13, 2026

1 Peter 3:15-16

Main Point

Believers are called to be ready to share their faith with gentleness and respect as a natural overflow of their relationship with Christ.

Part 1: Master Teacher (10 Minutes)

Introduction

If someone asked you why you follow Jesus, how confident would you feel in your response?

God calls believers to be prepared to share their faith in a way that reflects His character.

Biblical Teaching

1. Set Christ Apart as Lord (v. 15)
 - Jesus must be central in our lives.
 - Our devotion shapes our response.
 - Faith begins with surrender.
2. Be Ready to Share Your Hope (v. 15)
 - Believers are called to be prepared.
 - Opportunities often come relationally.
 - Confidence grows through practice.
3. Share with Gentleness and Respect (v. 16)
 - Tone matters in communication.
 - Character strengthens credibility.
 - Love reflects Christ in witness.

Takeaway

A life centered on Christ naturally leads to opportunities to share Him with others.

Part 2: Group Discussion (25 minutes)

Facilitator Guidance

- Encourage participants to see sharing their faith as relational and natural rather than forced or confrontational.

Discussion Questions

1. Being Prepared to Share

- How confident do you feel sharing your faith?
- What makes sharing your faith difficult?
- How can you grow in readiness?

2. Recognizing Opportunities

- When have you had an opportunity to share your faith?
- What helps you recognize those moments?
- Who in your life might be open to a conversation?

3. Sharing with the Right Heart

- Why are gentleness and respect important?
- How does your attitude affect your message?
- How can you reflect Christ in your conversations?

4. Witness Through Relationships

- How do relationships create opportunities for witness?
- Who are you building relationships with intentionally?
- How can your relationships lead to gospel conversations?

Next Steps & Call to Action (5 minutes)

Facilitator Closing Thought:

When Christ is central in your life, sharing your faith becomes a natural extension of your relationships.

Action Step:

Look for one opportunity this week to share your faith in a natural conversation.

Prayer Focus:

- Pray for boldness.
- Pray for opportunities.
- Pray for the right words.