



RESOURCE SHEET

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TRACT TIPS

REASONS TO USE GOSPEL TRACTS:

1. Because God uses them.
2. Tracts can provide an opening for us to share our faith. People's reaction to a tract can be a clue as to their responsiveness to a gospel conversation.
3. Tracts can witness for us when we're too timid or don't have time.
4. They speak to people when they're ready. Sometimes people take them and read them later.
5. They can get into places that we can't.
6. They don't argue, they just state their case.

Tip #1 — Keep some tracts in your wallet, purse, and in your vehicle. You never know when an opportunity will arise.

Tip #2 — When giving someone a gospel tract, you do not need to tell them it is a gospel tract. They will know soon enough. Do not ask them if they want one. Instead, say something like, “Did you get one of these?”

Tip #3 — Look for unique places to leave a tract, like:

- *In a hospital waiting room.*
- *In a library book when you return it.*
- *At the gas pump for the next customer.*

Tip #4 — In a situation where you do not have the time to ask them if they are sure about their salvation, hand them a tract and say, “*If you are not 100% sure you’re going to Heaven when you die, this will tell you how you CAN know!*”

HOW TO START A CONVERSATION

Engaging people in conversation helps you see if they are potential prospects. A simple way to start is by giving them a gospel tract and inviting them to church.

(1) Use an opening remark that breaks the ice. Examples:

- *“Have you had any good news today? May I give you some?”*
- *“May I give you something our pastor has written?”*
- *“May I give you this? It’s free, and if you don’t like it I will give you your money back.”*

(2) Tell them where you’re from. Example:

- *“I attend Community Baptist Church in Siler City.”*

(3) Say something positive about the church. Examples:

- *“I find the church really encouraging.”*
- *“God is really helping people at our church.”*
- *“The pastor’s sermons really are a help to me.”*
- *“The people there are friendly and accepting.”*
- *“Lots of folks have found help for their family relationships and personal problems.”*

(4) Ask them if they have a church that they attend regularly.

(5) Get their contact information, if possible, to make a follow-up visit later.

(6) End with a warm and friendly comment. Example:

- *“It sure was nice talking to you. I hope you’ll come visit us soon.”*

WRITE OUT YOUR TESTIMONY

Every Christian has a testimony. Your testimony is simply the story of how you came to know Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour. The exciting thing is that every person is an expert in their own testimony! Why? Because nobody knows better than you what happened to you. So, the great thing about a personal testimony is...you can't mess it up!

Many times, it can be helpful to share your personal testimony with others. Testimonials can be powerful. That is why we see so many infomercials on TV with people telling us how they lost weight using a particular product, or how they used to have this ache and pain until they started using a particular medicine.

Likewise, it can be a powerful thing for others to hear about your own personal experience of coming to know Jesus as your Saviour.

Keep in mind that your testimony does not need to be very long (Maybe around 1-3 minutes).

Thing to include in your testimony:

- **What life was like *before* your salvation.** Could be as simple as saying, *"I had no peace and always wondered where I would spend eternity if I died."*
- **Transitional statement.** *"Then someone showed me what the Bible says about how a person gets to Heaven."*
- **What life is like now that you *are* saved.** *"Ever since I did what the Bible said, I've had peace and joy and the assurance that I will go to Heaven when I die."*

Then you can say, *"Can I share with you what someone shared with me?"*