



## **Appendix**

### **IDEAS AND HOW-TO'S**

#### **How to be on mission with God**

The BMEN mission is to lead men to join God to accomplish the Great Commission. That commitment can only be fulfilled by men who belong to God by faith in Jesus. To do God's mission, you must be a Christian.

God loves every person in the world, including you. He loves you so much that he wants to be with you forever. Unfortunately, every person, including you, has a problem called "sin." Sin is doing what you want rather than what God wants. Your sin keeps you from being with God forever. The good news is, because God loves you, He made a way for your sins to be forgiven.

God's way is Jesus. God sent His Son Jesus to earth to live and then die for the sins of the world. Jesus died for your sins. The good news is that He is not still dead! He rose from the dead, and is alive today in heaven. Jesus is with God, and Jesus is the only way to be with God in heaven.

You must do three things to be with God forever:

1. Ask God to forgive you of your sins. Tell God you know Jesus died for your sins. Promise to God that you will try to do what He wants from now on.
2. Believe in Jesus. You must believe Jesus died for your sins, and that He is the only way for you to be with God. Tell God you believe that Jesus is Lord.
3. Ask Jesus to be your Savior. Jesus will come into your life and help you live for God. Jesus promises He will never leave you! He will be with you forever!

When you do these three things, you become a Christian. A Christian chooses to live for God. He no longer wants to do things his own way, but wants to do things God's way. To know what God wants, you simply need to read the Bible. God always tells you what He wants through the Bible.

The important question for you now is "Would you like to become a Christian?" Here are some Bible verses that will help you:

1. God loves you very much: John: 3:16
2. You have sin: Romans 3:23; 6:23
3. Your sin keeps you apart from God forever: Isaiah 59:2
4. Jesus died for your sins: Romans 5:8
5. You can be with God forever: Acts 3:19; 16:31; John 1:12; Romans 10:13
6. Jesus will be with you forever; Matthew 28:20

You can do these things by talking with God in a simple prayer, and you can do that right now!

### **How to Share the Good News with Others**

A personal testimony is one of the most basic tools that can be used for sharing the truths of the gospel. It is simply your story of salvation. In the postmodern world in which we are living, some will debate the truths of the gospel but they cannot debate your personal experience, because it happened to you. Your story is also a powerful tool because it relates to the spiritual void that everyone has that can only be filled with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

A personal story is an account of your life before you made a commitment to follow Jesus, how you came to know Jesus personally, and how Jesus has changed your life since you came to know Him personally. A worksheet is provided for you to write out your story/testimony at the end of this material.

The One-Day witnessing card incorporates the use of your personal story/testimony in your evangelism conversation. The card is only a guide to be used in sharing the gospel you will incorporate your story/testimony throughout the conversation.

The evangelism method that follows incorporates your story with the witnessing card in sharing the gospel. The teaching materials for this equipping method are free and can be downloaded at [www.namb.net/onedaywitness](http://www.namb.net/onedaywitness). The One-Day witnessing cards can be purchased for \$9.99 and come in packets of 100. To order the witness cards call 1(866)407-6262.

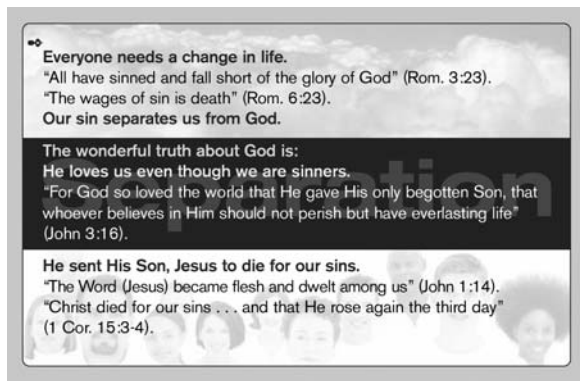
### **A Personal Story/Testimony/One-Day Witnessing Card**

#### **1. My Life before I made a commitment to follow Jesus**

In this first part of your story you are describing what your life was like and how you came to the realization that your life needed to be changed. Words like “loneliness,” “lack of purpose,” “fear,” and “hopeless” may all be part of your story. It culminates in the discovery that each of us are in need of a change and a recognition that mankind’s most basic problem is sin.

**Note:** The arrow below indicates that you have already shared the first part of your story/testimony. After sharing the first part of your story/testimony, begin reading or referring to the card. Read the card until you finish reading the statement, **Our sin separates us from God.**

At this point, note the clouds and state that the clouds represent God. The people at the bottom of the card represent humanity. In looking closely at the



card you will see the word “separation” in the middle of the card. The truth of the Bible is that all of humanity is separated from God because of sin.

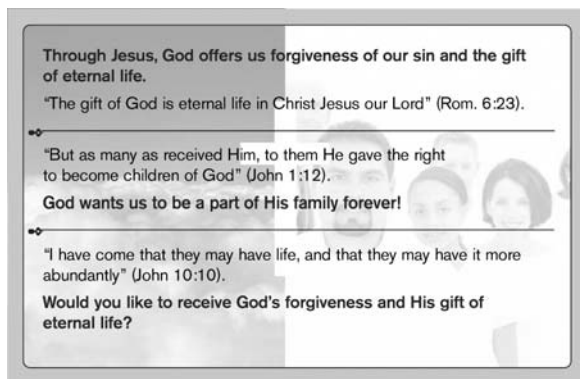
Continue reading the card... **The wonderful truth about God is...**

Read/review the truths found on the card until you come to the second arrow (page 2).

At this point share the second part of your story/testimony.

## 2. How I came to know Jesus personally

How did this occur in your life? Was it in a worship service? At your home? Where you were when you invited Jesus Christ to be the leader of your life? This part of your story communicates the circumstances



and events surrounding your life-changing encounter with Christ.

After sharing the second part of your story refer to the illustration. You will notice that the one thing that brings people (seen on the right) to God (clouds on the left) is the cross (notice the cross in the middle).

Continue reading the card until you come to the third arrow.

### 3. How Jesus has changed my life since I came to know Him personally

The last part of your story communicates briefly how your life is different as a result of your salvation. Indicate the impact that Christ has made and is making in your life.

**Note:** If you accepted Christ as a child you may want to focus on how Christ has protected you, or the direction that your life could have gone, or what Christ saved you from.

Continue by reading the rest of page 2 of the witnessing card. The question at the bottom of the card begins the process of bringing your friend to a point of decision.

Continue reading page 3 of the card until you finish reading Acts 3:19.

The Bible teaches that we must turn from our sin, which is repentance. "Repent . . . and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19).

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).

You can become a follower of Jesus by turning away from your sin and trusting Him alone as your Lord and Savior.

We must place our trust in Jesus alone for new life.

You can do this now by inviting Jesus into your life through prayer.

You will notice that the sign in the center of the card is a U-turn signal that has been reversed to form a J. The J stands for Jesus. It is only through Jesus that real repentance can take place.

Continue reading the card until you come to the bottom of page 3. At this point, you are seeking to lead your friend to Christ.

At the top of page 4 is a prayer of commitment that can be used if you need a guide in leading your friend to Christ.

**Dear Jesus,**  
I want to follow You. I turn from my sin and place my trust in You alone and ask for Your forgiveness. Right now, I receive Your free gift of eternal life and welcome Your control of my life. Thank You for loving me and dying for me. And thank You for giving me new life.

**Congratulations!**  
Your decision to become a member of God's family is the most important decision you will ever make.

Church name, address, phone

**Grow as a follower of Jesus:**

- Tell someone today who would be happy to hear of your commitment.
- Read the Bible every day.
- Pray daily.
- Follow Jesus in believer's baptism.
- Become active in a Bible-believing church.

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There is a place for you to review with your friend some important ways to grow as a follower of Jesus.

## Your Personal Story/Testimony Worksheet

1. My life before I made a commitment to follow Jesus

2. How I came to know Jesus personally

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| <b>Dear Jesus,</b><br>I want to follow You. I turn from my sin and place my trust in You alone and ask for Your forgiveness. Right now, I receive Your free gift of eternal life and welcome Your control of my life. Thank You for loving me and dying for me. And thank You for giving me new life.                               |  |
| <b>Congratulations!</b><br>Your decision to become a member of God's family is the most important decision you will ever make.<br><input type="text"/><br><small>Church name, address, phone</small>  | <b>Grow as a follower of Jesus:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tell someone today who would be happy to hear of your commitment.</li><li>• Read the Bible every day.</li><li>• Pray daily.</li><li>• Follow Jesus in believer's baptism.</li><li>• Become active in a Bible-believing church.</li></ul> |
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3. How Jesus has changed my life since I came to know Him personally

## How to include your family in Men@WORK

Men@WORK builds family relationships. Include them in the Men@WORK experience. Other family members can help your team by:

- Making snacks for the WORK crew.
- Having the family take snapshots of the jobs – before, during, and after. Make a scrapbook of the crew's efforts over the eight sessions.
- Having one family make a small house-warming gift to be sent to the next session's family, thanking them for each man's participation in the home improvement work.
- Having the family members help out in the home-improvement as errand-runners.
- Taking part in the mission project by preparing a meal for the host family, or just spending time talking with them as your team does its work.

## Men@WORK home improvement ideas

Men@WORK is not just about construction. Anything that accomplishes home improvement can be a part of your experience. As you plan your projects, you could decide to:

- Paint a room.
- Clean an attic, basement, or garage.
- Chop firewood.
- Fertilize, weed, or mow a lawn.
- Stain/Varnish a deck.
- Trim trees.
- Clean rain gutters.
- Install a ceiling fan.
- Repair dry wall.
- Set-up a computer.
- Steam clean a carpet.
- Lay tile.
- Fix a leak in plumbing.
- Put up a basketball hoop.
- Change a car's oil & filters.

There are as many ideas and opportunities as there are needs in a home. Be creative and find ways to keep men involved in redefining men's work.

You can also use the Men@WORK idea with other types of activity. Men can group together to do the devotion and mission outreach as they hunt, fish, play sports, or pursue any activity that draws them together.