



## Tips on sharing Jesus

**Question 1:** How do I determine if someone who claims to be a Christian really has made a commitment to Christ?

**Answer 1:** You can ask them to share with you how they came to know the Lord and how he has made a difference in their life.

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**Question 2:** When I am talking to someone who follows another faith, how can I engage them in a spiritual conversation that might give me an opportunity to share Christ with them?

**Answer 2:** You can earn the right to share by first listening. Ask something like this: "If I were to become a (Jehovah's Witness, Mormon, Buddhist etc) what would I have to do to be sure I go to heaven when I die?"

Listen to their answer and you will learn a lot. Then ask: "May I share with you what I understand the Bible says it takes to go to heaven?" Because you have listened to them, it's only polite for them to listen to you.

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**Question 3:** If a person believes in reincarnation, what verse can I use?

**Answer 3:** Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment. Hebrews 9:27

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**Question 4:** If someone asks me, 'What about the people who have never heard the Gospel?' What should I say?

**Answer 4:**

You could say,

- "God has promised that anyone who seeks him will find him. For example, Jesus is revealing himself around the world to people today through dreams." or
  - "Since that question seems to be important to you, it could be that God is calling you to take the message to someone who has not yet heard."
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**Question 5:** If someone says they are an atheist, what do I say?

**Answer 5:** First, please remember that in 1 Peter 3:15 we are told to always share the Lord with gentleness and respect.

You could ask something like this:

- “Help me understand what you mean when you say you are an atheist.”

You want to know if:

- They do not believe God exists.” (atheist)
- They do not know if God exists (agnostic).

If they say God does not exist, you could ask:

- “Is it possible that somewhere on this planet or in the universe there is evidence that you have not encountered yet that shows there is a God?”

An honest person would have to answer yes. They have now moved from atheist to agnostic and you can see if they are open to hearing more.

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### **A brief encounter with an atheist**

A young lady once told me she was an atheist. I responded by saying: “I don’t think you’re an atheist because the Bible says ‘only the fool says in his heart there is no God’ and I don’t think you are a fool.”

She said: “I guess I’m an agnostic, then.” I was then able to share the Gospel with her.