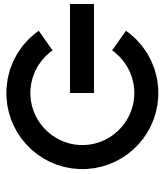


Title: How to Share Your Faith

Speaker: Jason Holt

Key Verses: Exodus 4:10-17; Matthew 9:36-38; Acts 1:8; 17:26

Summary: Sharing my faith flows from a relationship with and reliance on Jesus.



Power Up: Take a moment to prepare

Jason describes his personality as the largest barrier to sharing his faith as a teenager. What's the interplay between your personality and witness?



Replay: Take some time to watch

Note Jason's four principles for sharing your faith: **1)** have a relationship with Jesus yourself; **2)** find confidence in God's power not personal gifting; **3)** see people the way Jesus sees them; **4)** make it a lifestyle not an event.



Comment: Take some time to talk

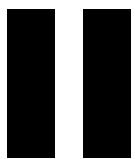
Jason distinguishes between intellectual barriers to sharing faith and motivational barriers. ***What are some examples of each?***

Jason suggests if we're reluctant to talk about Jesus it may be because we have little relationship with Him. ***How do we foster that relationship?***

Read Exodus 4:10-17. ***How does Moses serve as an example for those who put too much stock in their personal abilities?***

"Jesus looks beyond the exterior and looks at the heart," Jason comments. ***What external markers do you look at to see if someone needs Jesus? How can these markers mislead you? How compassionate are you?***

Read Acts 17:26. Consider the time, place, and people God has set around you. ***What opportunities has God given you to share your faith with friends? At school? At work? In the community? With family?***



Pause: Take a moment to pray

Thank God for the privilege of a relationship with Jesus. Thank Him for empowering you as His witness. Ask Him for greater reliance on His Spirit as you share your faith. Ask Him for Jesus' compassionate view of others.



Take Action: Take a step forward

Jason mentions praying daily for people by name in his community. He keeps an active list. Start a list of three to five names of people you want to see start following Jesus. Begin to pray for them by name each morning.

Bonus Features | Additional Notes and Quotes from Jason Holt

Power Track Summary: Do you wish that sharing your faith in Jesus was a more natural part of your life as opposed to just something you do when you are on a mission's trip or at a church program? Most Christians struggle to know what to say and how to go about conversations with the people right in front of them on a daily basis: friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, and others. This Power Track teaches a way of living where sharing your faith becomes a natural part of everyday life.

About the Speaker: Jason Holt is a father, husband, introvert, and former program director at Urban Hope Ministries in Philadelphia; he's currently planting churches in Chicago.

"It's normal for a Christian to share his faith. It's normal for a Christian to love Jesus."

Four Things that Compel Us to Share Our Faith

1. Personal relationship with Jesus

"The passion I have to share my faith about Jesus is fueled by the love God has shown me."

2 Tough Questions: *Are you really in a relationship with Jesus Christ, or do just have a bargain? Did you simply make a transaction so you don't have to live apart from God forever?*

A relationship with Jesus requires discipline: prayer and Bible reading helps us know Him.

"I love sharing Christ with people when I'm pursuing Christ."

2. Confidence: Does it come from your ability or God's power?

Being shy, awkward, or introverted does not exempt us from sharing our faith.

"If your confidence in sharing your faith with other people is in your own abilities, you will fail, even if you're a great communicator."

3. See people the way Jesus sees them.

It's too easy to value people based upon status markers: popularity, looks, athleticism, etc.

"Jesus looks beyond the exterior and looks at the heart. He invites us to do the same."

"People who think they're 'fine' without Jesus are in trouble. They will be eternally separated from Him without the gospel."

"There are a lot of walking dead people around ... everywhere we go."

4. Lifestyle of being a witness for Jesus

"[Sharing your faith] is not an event... You can't be a witness if you don't have a personal relationship yourself. You're just presenting facts... The reason Jesus left us here is so we can be a witness. It's the reason we're on earth."