

Be a Witness

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Review

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Key Scriptures: Acts 26:15–16; John 15:20; 2 Corinthians 10:3–6

Discuss

1. Before you were saved, were you impacted by the witness of someone else? If so, how did their witness help open your heart to God?
2. What are some reasons Christians are not bold in being a witness to others?
3. Why is it important to have love and grace while we also present the truth?
4. Jesus warned us we will be persecuted in the same way He was persecuted. How did Jesus respond to criticism and persecution?
5. How can we be like Jesus when we face persecution?
6. What are some opportunities you have to be a witness?
7. Read 2 Corinthians 10:3–6. Why is it important to remember we are fighting a spiritual battle and not a battle against people? What happens if we forget this truth?
8. How does the enemy use fear and intimidation to keep Christians from being a witness for Jesus?
9. How can we fight for religious freedom?
10. What is the Holy Spirit saying to you through this message?

Takeaway

As we conclude, remember the following:

- We are witnesses for Jesus.
- As witnesses for Jesus, we will face persecution.
- We are in a spiritual battle, not a physical one, and we must stay strong.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we praise You and thank You for allowing us to live in a country where our Constitution protects our religious freedom. We pray for our leaders to defend our religious freedom. We pray for righteous judges who are believers to be placed in the right positions. Give us boldness to be Your witnesses everywhere we go. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Leader Tip

Be sensitive to the fact that not everyone in your small group shares the same political views. However, it is okay to discuss what the Bible says and what the Constitution says. If there are people in your group who were raised with different opinions, you can still have healthy conversations about being a witness for Jesus and building God's kingdom.

Group Dynamics Idea

The summer is a perfect time for park gatherings, picnics, barbecues, or enjoying the pool together. Talk to your group about some fun ways you can stay connected in the coming days!