

**X. Telling the Story**

A. Getting the opening to tell the story

1. Use an appropriate Gospel tract.
2. Ask permission to speak to them about Christ.
3. Say “May I tell you about something that has meant more to me than anything else in life?”

Note: This is why we suggested you get your testimony clearly in mind.

4. Here be courteous ... and straight forward!
  - a. Always be courteous. (II Timothy 2:24)
  - b. At the same time, don't be devious. Come straight to the point.
  - c. And ... **STICK TO THE POINT.**

B. Some Do's and Don'ts in Telling the Story

1. Don't pre-suppose a negative response. Assume a positive response.
2. Bring them face to face with the PERSON OF CHRIST ... stay off unnecessary doctrinal issues.
3. As soon as you are into the interview **USE YOUR BIBLE.**
4. Don't try to force ... you can't force the Spirit's work!
5. **NEVER, NEVER ARGUE.**
6. Keep it simple.

C. Above all...be sure you tell them the GOSPEL. Note: Many things that supposedly are gospel preaching, are not.

What is the Gospel? (I Corinthians 15:3,4)

**Assignment**

1. Memorize I Corinthians 15:3,4 and II Timothy 2:24
3. What are some reasons why argumentation does not work in individual witnessing?
4. How far do you think you should go in trying to answer the “pet doctrines” of cults, etc.?

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**Unit 10 “Check-Yourself” Test**

**Memory Verses:**

I Corinthians 15:3,4

II Timothy 2:24

1. When handing a tract to others, what should our actions and attitude reveal to them? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What is a key passage regarding courtesy in the Christian's life? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Does courtesy and gentleness mean we are to use a devious back-door approach? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Does conviction of sin come from the arguments we set forth? If not, from where does it come?

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5. Who is our example in keeping the message simple, in easy-to-understand language? \_\_\_\_\_

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***Answers To “Check-Yourself” Tests - Unit 10***

*1. That we are personally interested in their eternal welfare.; 2. II Timothy 2:24,25.; 3. No.; 4. No, from the Holy Spirit.; 5. Christ.*