How to: Shave the Gospel

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Romans 1:16 ESV

As Romans 1:16 says above, the Gospel is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes! Therefore, it is vital that we know the Gospel and can share it with others. We have provided links to some simple tools below to help you learn how to share the Gospel. No tool is perfect, so we would encourage you to try out each one to find one you like best!

The Tools

<u>The Bridge</u> <u>Diagram</u>	The bridge diagram is particularly helpful for depicting the impassable gap between God and humanity because of sin. It uses Romans 6:23 to show that we have all earned death because of our sin, but God gives the free gift of eternal life through Christ Jesus. This tool can benefit those struggling with a works-based view of salvation.
<u>The 3</u> <u>Circles</u>	The 3 Circles Method takes just a few minutes to walk through! Using a simple graphic, the 3 Circles demonstrates how the world is broken because of sin and how God worked to save us from brokenness through Christ.
<u>Romans</u> <u>Road</u>	Romans Road uses a handful of verses from the Book of Romans to walk you through the Gospel. If you are explaining how one can be saved according to the Bible, the Romans Road to Salvation effectively summarizes this message in just a few verses.
<u>Scripture</u> <u>References</u>	Here are some passages of Scripture that explain the Gospel: Ephesians 2:1-10; 2 Corinthians 8:9; John 3:16; Acts 13:16-41; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Galatians 3:13-14; 1 Peter 2:22-25



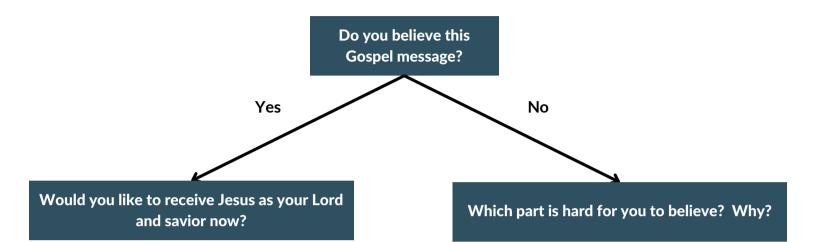


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You've shared. Now what?

Now that you've shared the Gospel, you may be wondering how you can call for a response (repentance & faith). There are really two responses to the Gospel: belief or unbelief. So, you can ask, "Do you believe this Gospel message?" Here are some ways the conversation could go:



If they say yes, lead them to pray a prayer of repentance, and have them ask God to forgive them of their sins. Have them ask Jesus to be their Lord and King. It's really important to connect them with community that will shepherd them and help them grow as a new Christian. Invite them to be a part of our Crosspoint family or help them to find a healthy church where they can be baptized and discipled. If you are able, you can be the one to follow up with and disciple this believer while also connecting them with a healthy church community. Help answer questions they have using the Scriptures. If they need further help, you can connect them with a pastor or another trusted believer. Offer to pray with them and ask if they have any specific prayer requests. God may answer their prayer request, making them open to future conversations! You can also ask if they would like to read the Bible with you. If they say no to all of these questions, entrust them to God and ask that He would soften their heart to future conversations.

Here are some other follow-up questions you may find helpful, depending on the conversation:

- What do you think about this Gospel message?
- Is there anything you don't understand?
- What do you think about Jesus?
- Would you be open to reading the Bible together?

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