

WITNESS / WORK

Putting It All Together

Regardless of how God uses you to influence others, the Bible makes it clear that you can't save or "convert" anyone. Only God can truly transform a heart and life. But if you communicate what you know and have experienced, you can help people discover their need for God and for the new life Christ provides.

Since the last session, you've reviewed the process you can follow in sharing your faith and leading someone into a relationship with Jesus.

STEP BY STEP:

- **Develop common ground.**
- **Use a transitional statement.**
- **Share your story.**
- **Ask if he or she would like to know how to become a Christian.**
- **Present the Gospel, using Scripture and illustrations.**
- **Ask the person if he or she is ready to trust Christ.**
- **Lead the person in prayer.**
- **Show him or her verses on the assurance of salvation.**
- **Show him or her where to start reading in the Bible.**

By now you've also practiced most of these elements individually, both in and out of class. Now it's time to put all the pieces together. Though you may still be a little shaky with your delivery, more practice and a little memory work will make you more comfortable in presenting the message of Christ.

IN-CLASS PRACTICE TIME:

With a partner, take turns going through the entire process. One partner will fill the role of the Christian, and the other will listen as a non-Christian who is ready to hear the message of Jesus. Take turns playing each role. Use the "**Steps to Peace With God**" witnessing tool to help illustrate the message, and **interact with each other as people might do in real-life situations.**