

Sharing the Hope of the Gospel A Five Day Challenge

Tonight you received a challenge to find a way to communicate the hope of the gospel with others around you. We want to see this as an opportunity to leverage our cell phones, social media, and other forms of communication to share the life changing message about Jesus Christ with others in a difficult time. We want to equip you and cheer you on as you share the gospel with those around you. Here are a few ideas for you to consider:

1. **Social Media** - With so much on social media right now dealing with fear, you have an opportunity to offer a message of hope. Consider sharing one of the following:
 - Share the Gospel Video or Falling Plates Video you saw in tonight's episode
[Click here for link for Gospel Video](#)
[Click here for link for Falling Plates](#)
 - Share scripture or an image that points people to life found in a right relationship with Jesus Christ.
 - Share your story by helping others to see how the truth of Good Friday and Easter Sunday makes a difference in your life.

Before you Post: Stop to consider if others can tell you are a follower of Jesus Christ when they visit your social media page. This doesn't mean that you have to be perfect, but take a moment to look through your content and make sure you are not sending mixed messages.

2. **Texting** - Go through your contacts or recent texts and ask God who you can reach out to with the hope of the gospel. If they don't know Christ, it could change their eternity. If they do know Christ you will encourage them to do the same for others.
 - Asking others how you can pray for them. Turning that prayer into a statement about your relationship with Jesus Christ. Something like "I know this week reminds me of where my hope rests..." "I know Jesus Christ makes all the difference in moments like this because..."
 - Sending a check in to a group text. Let them know that they are receiving this group text because they are on your mind during this time and share a link to a gospel presentation or scriptures that helps them see the gospel clearly.
3. **Writing a Letter** - If you don't have access to any of the above forms of communication, or simply prefer the personal touch of a letter, you can send a letter sharing your faith story to someone who you think may need to hear it. Be sure to make the gospel clear and make the letter personal.

Remember we would love to hear from you to know how you are communicating hope to others during this five day challenge. Send us a picture or screenshot and we may use it in the coming weeks to encourage others.

Email studentministry@carmelbaptist.org to share what you did or are doing to take this challenge. You can let us know someone we can be praying for or any other way we can help you share the life changing gospel message with those around you.