

*They that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word. – Acts 8:4*

A pastor had been on a preaching mission in a certain congregation. At the close of one of the services, a young lawyer committed his life to Christ.

After several weeks, the pastor and the lawyer met again. “Have you shared your faith with anyone?” asked the pastor.

Somewhat surprised, the lawyer responded, “No, I don’t believe that is my business. That is your job as a pastor and my job is to live as a Christian while I practice law.”

Knowing that a Christian should live for Christ everywhere, the pastor simply added, “The weakness of the church today is that so many lay people do not express their faith to others.”

He reached into his pocket and pulled out a New Testament and read from Acts 8:4. The pastor continued, “The strength of the early church was that every Christian felt that it was his duty to share the faith with others. Wherever they went, they would say a good word for Jesus.”

It is important to live the Christian life but it is also important to share our personal God story with others. The Holy Spirit will give us boldness at the right time.

*Question: Why is it important to let others know what we believe?*