

Prepare for a Gospel Conversation

This resource will help you prepare for a gospel conversation with a friend.

Talking with your lost friend about the gospel

- Before every contact pray for favor and a receptive heart. Pray and ask God to reveal your friend's need for salvation and for your boldness to speak the gospel clearly and call for a response.
- Invite your co-worker to lunch, meet a friend for dinner or invite a neighbor to your home for a meal. Hangout or go on a hike or other outing.
- Before the meeting, read The Story tract and think about aspects of the gospel that relate to your friend's needs. Is your friend unaware of their need for a Savior or broken by personal sin? Do they have a religious background? How will you interject Jesus into the conversation?
- Tell your life group when your meeting is scheduled and ask them to pray for you.
- Start with friendly conversation and shift to the gospel early in your meeting. Be bold, kind, concerned and loving. Purpose to not leave the meeting without having shared the gospel and called for a response.
- Regardless of how your friend responds to the gospel, continue the dialogue by inviting your friend to come to church with you. Meet with them afterwards to hear what they thought about the service, message or worship songs and continue leading them toward the gospel.

Involving your family

- Talk with your kids about your friend's need for the gospel and ask them to pray with you for their salvation. Consider inviting your friend to your home for dinner.
- "Practice" with your kids. Model how you plan to approach the conversation.
- Adapt the conversation with your kids appropriate for their age and maturity as a believer. Use this opportunity to reveal their own need for a Savior. Help them identify lost friends at school. Guide your teenager to share the gospel with a friend.
- Afterwards talk with your kids about the meeting and your friend's response.