

Witness: Learning to Share Your Christian Faith

Lesson Plan

Trail Five, Session 24 = My Witness as God's Story (Vista Two)

(Plan for a short refreshment break at some point)

References:

Trail Guide for Leaders	Page 214
Trail Guide for Hikers	Page 185

1. Prayer:

- a. Talk about your witnessing experiences during the week.
- b. Share the prayer that you have written

2. Trail Talk & Role Play:

a. Write the following question on the board - "I guess I don't really understand what you mean by being Christian". Ask the group members to imagine that someone has just made that statement to them, and then take few minutes let them formulate their answer. Ask them to share their responses.

3. The Power of the Story:

- a. Q1: What are your three favorite stories of all time? Why?
- b. What is the power of a story?
- c. What the teaching method most often used by Jesus in communicating his thoughts to his followers.
- d. How does a story differ from "just the facts"?

4. Telling Gospel Stories As Witness:

- a. Examine the Nicodemus story on page 188.
- b. Take a story from the Bible and tell it like a story that today's generation will understand. (Give students about 10 minutes to prepare their stories) and then have some share their stories.
- c. It is the same old, old story - - just put in new wineskins.

5. Moving On:

- a. Review what we have covered this week.
- b. Assignments for Next Week

(1). Reading Assignment:

(a) As you read the chapter for next week (pages 193-197) underline or highlight special thoughts and answer the questions in the Q boxes.

(b) Complete the daily Bible readings and place your reflections, questions and insights.

c. Action Assignment:

(1) Complete the Action Assignment on page 192.

7. Closing Prayer:

8. Closing Word: "See you on the path!"