

Description: Do you wish that sharing your faith in Jesus was a more natural part of your life as opposed to just something you do when are on a mission trip or at a church program? Most Christians struggle to know what to say and how to go about conversations with the people right in front of us on a daily basis: friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, and others. This session gives a whole new way of living, where sharing your faith becomes a natural part of your everyday life.

Key Verses: 1 Peter 2:24; John 1:14; Matthew 9:36-38

Prompt: The percentage of Christians who share their faith is pretty low. Have students take guesses on this percentage. Before giving the correct answer, compare “good” percentages in other areas of life. What’s a good batting average? Good test score? Good shooting percentage in basketball? Good turnout to youth group event? Reveal the percentage of people who share their faith – 2% – and take a quick poll of your youth group to see if you’re above average. Either way, there’s room to improve!

Play: Video of Jason Holt, “Sharing Your Faith” www.buildmomentum.org/resources.html

Process: Select from the following questions to help students remember, rekindle and reengage.

- ⏪ Reread **1 Peter 2:24**. Jason provided this verse to overcome one of the barriers of sharing your faith. **How does this verse provide a starting point in sharing your faith?**
- ⏪ Read the Apostle Paul’s testimony in 1 Timothy 1:12-16. **What did God have to show him personally before using him in great ways to share his faith?**
- ⏪ **Of the four common blocks to sharing your faith**– your personality, sin/struggles, weak relationship with Jesus, selfishness – **which ones affect you the most?** Explain.
- ⏪ **What other excuses do you give for not sharing your faith?**
- ⏪ Jason noted the newest Christians in his neighborhood are often the best evangelists. **Why are new converts so good at sharing their faith?**
- ⏪ Reread **Matthew 9:36-38**. **What did Jesus see when looking at the crowds? How could this perspective change the way you approach those who don’t know him?**
- ⏪ **Where do you most often see “harassed and helpless” people?**
- ⏪ Jesus called his original followers to become “fishers of men” (Matthew 4:19). The leaders of Momentum use an acronym F-I-S-H (Friendly – Initiate – Story – Hope) to live “on mission.” **What does F-I-S-H mean? How could this tool help in sharing your faith?**

Pray: Have students pray in a large group. Remind them of Jesus’ blood, shed on their behalf and give thanks. Pray God helps them to **see people as God does**. Give them a minute of silence to think of people God may want them to **see** and share hope with. Invite them to pray these names aloud.