

TOOLS FOR SHARING THE GOSPEL



Matthew 28:16-20

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

In Jesus we are made to be a priesthood of all believers, called to be disciples who make disciples. Sharing the good news of Jesus is for the everyday disciple, not just the "professionals." Sometimes, this can feel intimidating. Where do we start? What if we say something wrong? Remember, it's not our job to convince anyone of the good news of Jesus! But it is our great privilege to bear witness to it!

HERE ARE TWO TOOLS THAT MAY SUPPORT YOU IN SHARING THE GOSPEL STORY.

1. In Gospel Fluency, Jeff Vanderstelt presents a four-movement framework for the gospel story: Creation. Fall. Redemption. New Creation. This is God's story, our dominant story. All of our other stories fall within this grand story of God and humanity.

Using this four-movement framework can help us to tell the story of God and humanity, the good news of Jesus. It can help us to share our own testimony and how it falls within the scope of this larger story of God. It can even help us to understand and re-tell our stories in light of the good news of Jesus.

Click here for a visual of the four-movement framework:

[https://saturatetheworld.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/saturate-gfhandbook-dominant_story.pdf]











2. In True Story: A Christianity Worth Believing In, James Choung presents a framework that he calls the Big Story. It is a four-movement drawing that facilitates a telling of the story of God and humanity: Designed for Good. Damaged by Evil. Restored for Better. Sent to Heal. The simple drawings are designed to be replicable by anyone. They can even be drawn on a napkin!

For more information about how to use the Big Story as a tool to share the gospel story click the link: [https://evangelism.intervarsity.org/sites/evangelism/files/uploaded/Proclaim_the_gospel/TheBigStory_recap.pdf]



The Essentials

Every disciple is called to share the gospel story. Having a guiding framework in mind and practicing can help us tell the story of Jesus with joy and freedom rather than nervousness or self-consciousness.

