

# Writing Your Testimony

A testimony is how you were saved. It is telling about the time when you came to Jesus Christ for salvation. It is a good idea to use scripture in your testimony. You should a little about before you were saved, how you came to Christ and what your life is like now. A testimony testifies to what God has done and is doing in your life. It is not about what you have accomplished for God. In fact, everything you have done that is worthwhile since salvation is accomplished only by God's power working through us. We are the instruments of the master musician. Just as a trumpet cannot make sound without a person blowing it, we cannot do anything without God performing it in our lives. God deserves all the credit.

## Here is my testimony:

I grew up in the church and in fact, my dad was a pastor. I wasn't a bad kid and didn't get into lots of trouble. I remember raising my hand to receive Jesus as my savior many times during church, but really did not understand what it meant. I remember one time after church that I went home and thought that if I just sat down and didn't do anything that I would not sin. Of course, we also sin with our thoughts and I could not stay in the chair very long. It represents trying to be good to get to Heaven—impossible. Romans 3:23 **for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God** One Sunday night, my dad preached on the 10 virgins and I knew that I was not going to Heaven. After the service, I received Jesus Christ as my savior. I did not have fireworks go off, but I know God was working in my heart. He gave me a desire for the Word of God and I started reading and studying it. II Corinthians 5:17 **Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.** God also gave me the gift of teaching and I soon started teaching children's Sunday School.

My seating in church reflected this change in my life. You know how some people like me always sit in the same pew or row in church. After we were allowed to sit somewhere other than with our mother, I moved toward the back of the church and to the outside pews. After I was saved I moved up to the front and to the center—right in front of the pastor.

God means so much to me in my life. I am thankful for His salvation, His word, His comfort and His guidance. I am thankful that I do not have to go through this life without Him. Psalm 16:11

**You will make known to me the path of life;  
In Your presence is fullness of joy;  
In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.**

## Now write your own using this outline:

1. What I was like before salvation
2. How I came to Christ
3. How I am different