

The Power Of Story
#SermonStory
Just Walk Across The Room Part 3
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How To Have A Powerful Story

1. LEARN TO USE WORDS WELL

Hebrews 11:3 By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. (ESV)

Ecclesiastes 9:17 The calm words of the wise make themselves heard above the shouts of someone commanding an army of fools. (NJB)

Proverbs 12:19 Truthful words stand the test of time, but lies are soon exposed. (NLT)

Proverbs 15:4 As a tree gives fruit, healing words give life, but dishonest words crush the spirit. (NCV)

Proverbs 16:24 Kind words are like honey— they cheer you up and make you feel strong. (CEV)

Proverbs 16:21 A wise person gets known for insight; gracious words add to one's reputation. (MSG)

2. LEARN TO TELL GOD'S STORY WELL

1 Corinthians 9:16 ...Telling the Good News is my duty—something I must do. And how terrible it will be for me if I do not tell the Good News. (NCV)

1 Corinthians 15:2-4 It is this Good News that saves you if you firmly believe the message I told you... ³ ...that Christ died for our sins... ⁴ He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. (NLT)

Colossians 4:6 Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person. (NASB)

3. LEARN TO TELL YOUR STORY WELL

1 Peter 2:9 But you are the ones chosen by God... God's instruments to do his work and speak out for him, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you— (MSG)

Psalm 66:16 Come and listen, all who honor God, and **I will tell you** what he has done for me. (TEV)

John 4:39 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of **the woman's testimony**... (NIV)

Luke 5:12-13 One day in one of the villages there was a man **covered with leprosy**. When he saw Jesus he fell down before him in prayer and said, "If you want to, you can **cleanse me**." ¹³ Jesus put out his hand, touched him, and said, "I want to. Be clean." Then and there his **skin was smooth**, the **leprosy gone**. (MSG)

1 Corinthians 14:9 If you speak in a way no one can understand, what's the point of opening your mouth? (MSG)

Proverbs 16:23 Intelligent people **think before they speak**; what they say is then more persuasive. (TEV)

Ephesians 6:19 **Pray for me** that when I speak, **God will give me words** so that I can tell the secret of the Good News **without fear**. (NCV)

1 Corinthians 13:1b ...if I have no **love**, my speech is no more than a noisy gong or a clanging bell. (TEV)

Colossians 4:5 **Be tactful** with those who are not Christians... (JB)

1 Corinthians 9:22b-23 ...whatever a person is like, I try to **find common ground** with him so that he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him. ²³ I do this to get the Gospel to them and also for the blessing I myself receive when I see them come to Christ. (LB)

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