## **SHARE YOUR FAITH**

## I PETER 3:15b

BACKGROUND: When you revere Christ as Lord, you have confidence to give the reason for your hope. For the lessons in the coming weeks, please order "The Four Spiritual Laws" (1-800-247-4784).

IT'S GOD'S COMMAND. People without Christ are lost. God has made you a priest to represent them before the Lord; and He has made you His ambassador with authority to help the lost come to Him, be forgiven of their sin, and receive Jesus as their Savior. (I Peter 3:15, fn 3:15[2nd], Matthew 28:18-19, fn 28:18-20, John 15:8, fn 15:8, II Corinthians 5:18-21, fn 5:20, I Peter 2:9, fn 2:9) How are you qualified to share your faith?

BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. As a believer, you have the Holy Spirit living in you, and you can experience His evidence of joy when you lead someone to Jesus. You could ask someone the following question: "On your spiritual journey, have you come to a place where you know for certain that you have eternal life or is that something you are still working on?" Use that question along with "The Four Spiritual Laws" to lead someone to Christ and experience the power and joy of the Holy Spirit. (I Peter 3:15, Acts 1:8, fn 1:8,[1st], fn 1:8[2nd], Romans 10:12-15, fn 10:14, John 4:34-38, fn 4:35, fn 4:36-38, Luke 10:1-2, 17-20, fn 10:1-2, fn 10:17-20, John 3:5-9, fn 3:6, fn 3:9) How could you lead each member of your family (who may not have a personal relationship with Jesus) to know Christ?

IT HAS GOD'S REWARDS. "Witnessing stimulates your spiritual growth. Witnessing leads us to pray, and to study God's Word and forces us to depend upon Christ. As we witness in the power of the Holy Spirit, we sow love and joy and peace. According to the biblical principles of sowing and reaping, we always harvest what we sow and even more (Galatians 6:7). For example, if we sow love, we will harvest love—but always more than we sow." Bill Bright, "How To Introduce Others To Christ", p. 12. (I Peter 3:15, Proverbs 11:30, fn 11:30, Daniel 12:3, fn 12:3, Galatians 6:7-9, fn 6:7-8, Ephesians 6:18-20, fn 6:19-20) Why and how could you develop a habit of sharing your faith?

Are you taking time to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit with the Living Word teaching you and giving you His joy, His love, and His peace?

