

TESTIMONY WRITING TOOL

1. THINK ABOUT YOUR LIFE BEFORE CHRIST

“Before I surrendered my life to Christ I...”

- What were your attitudes, beliefs, values, feelings and actions?
- Who/what did you worship? What defined life for you?
- Be honest, but don't glorify your past/sin. Aim to keep your testimony focused on God who gets the glory for the transformation He's done in you.

2. DESCRIBE THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING YOUR SURRENDER

“Then I surrendered my life to Christ...”

- Consider how you became aware of your need for Christ.
- Who was involved in showing you your need?
- Describe how you received the gospel. What steps did you take to receive Him into your life; to go from knowing about Him to knowing Him personally?

3. DESCRIBE HOW YOUR LIFE IS DIFFERENT SINCE YOUR SURRENDER -

“Now that I have a relationship with Jesus...”

- Explain what a personal relationship with Him means to you now.
- Compare your attitudes, emotions, thoughts and actions now to life before Christ. • Describe any impact on your relationships (marriage, kids, friendships, etc.), your work, your identity, your values, etc.
- Be honest and enthusiastic.
- Paint a true picture of your life; share your victories but let them know you are not perfect.
- Don't feel like it's necessary to exaggerate for effect; your authentic transformation in Christ is effective enough!
- Don't imply Christ removes all problems; rather, regardless of circumstances He is good, faithful and better than life.

