

## **Discipleship**

A five week course  
for extending discipleship  
in small groups

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## **Week Four**

Sharing our Faith

Arrange for someone to give their testimony of how they came to faith. (if no-one is available, find a brief account of the testimony of someone famous).

*Share*

How does hearing someone's story make you feel?

*Read*

Matthew 28:19-20

We are called to tell others the good news of Jesus.

*Consider these statements:*

'People won't care what we know until they know we care'

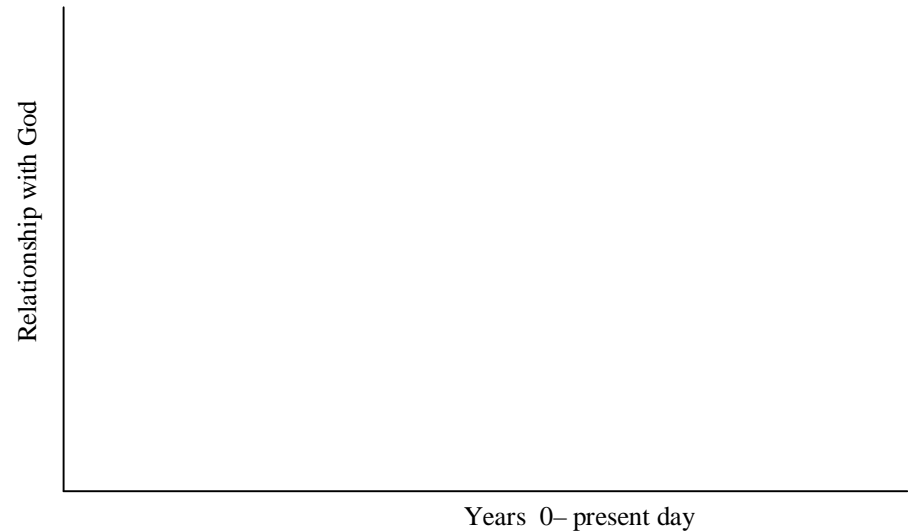
'Actions speak louder than words'

'Methodists love and care for people until they ask why, then fudge it'.

Which of them do you identify with and why?

Why do you think people find it hard to share their faith?

One fear Christians express is that they will be asked theological questions they cannot answer. But faith sharing is not about the theory, it is about what we have experienced of Jesus.



*Activity:*

On this graph plot your Christian journey. Place a dot when you experienced high points and also low points of faith. Join up the dots and see your journey.

In pairs now explain your graphs to one another, remembering on this occasion that what is said is confidential to the conversation.

You have now practiced sharing your faith journey with one other person.

Pray for each other that you may have the courage and confidence to share that story with others in the coming week.

NB There is a whole course on faith sharing available on the District website based on the Methodist publication Time to Talk of God.