



Woody Values

Testimony




<p>Testimony - we are encouraged by hearing the stories of God at work in the lives of those in Woody and further afield. We create opportunity for the sharing of personal stories when we meet together so that our faith can grow.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating opportunities in gatherings for testimony to be shared 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being willing to give account of how God has been at work in your life
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1 Peter 3:
⁸Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. ⁹Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. ¹⁰For, "Whoever would love life and see good days must keep their tongue from evil and their lips from deceitful speech."




¹¹They must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and pursue it.
¹²For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."
¹³Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?
¹⁴But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened."




¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. ¹⁷ For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.




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Words



Genesis 1:

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.



Proverbs 16:24

Gracious words are a honeycomb,
sweet to the soul and healing to
the bones



John 6: 63 "The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—**they are full of the Spirit and life.**" ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe....." ⁶⁵ He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them." ⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. ⁶⁷ "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "**Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.**" ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."



Testimony





1. To witness to Christ
2. To encourage other believers
3. To speak out Gods promises over ourselves



But what can I say?

- Only YOU can tell your story
- Your story is important
- People are waiting for another narrative.



Response:

- **Any forgiveness required?**
- **Practice your testimony**
- **Ask the Holy Spirit to give you opportunities**
- **Here is one now!**

