

Main Scripture: 1 Corinthians 9:19-27

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An effective witness asks three questions:

1. What roadblock does God want me to remove? (1 Cor 9:19, 20-22; 2 Cor 11:24; Mk 10:44-45; Jn 10:16)

2. What is the greater reward? (1 Cor 9:19, 20-22, 23; Heb 12:2, 11:26)

3. Where do I need to be self-disciplined? (1 Cor 9:24-27)

How to Meet Jesus

1. <u>Acknowledge</u> that Jesus Christ is the only way to God and that you need Him in your life.

John 14:6, "I [Jesus] am the way the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through me."

- 2. Be willing to turn from the things that God would not approve of as outlined in the Bible, and instead, <u>decide</u> to live according to His Word; honor Jesus Christ by how you live your life. (Repentance)
 - 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, He [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
- 3. <u>Believe</u> that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave and accept His payment on your behalf.
 - John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."
- 4. Through prayer, <u>invite</u> Jesus Christ to come into your life and expect to receive the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will live with you and in you and you will receive power:

Lord Jesus,

I know that I am a sinner and that I need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins and I trust in You alone for my salvation. I choose to turn away from the things in my life of which You don't approve and now surrender my life to You. I invite You to come and reign and rule in my heart and life and open my spirit. Establish Your presence within me. I want to know the power of the Holy Spirit working in me and live forever with You in the Kingdom of God. I choose to trust and follow You as my Lord and Savior.

If you prayed this prayer tell someone before you leave.