

Once Upon a Time

“ How to Use Your Story to Reach People for Jesus-Part 2 ”

1. Explain "How" You Became a Christian

2. Include Who, What, When, Where and Why



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

Point #1

- a) Read Acts 22:6-16. How did Paul transition his discussion from his B.C. days to becoming a Christian?
- b) In what way did he also use Jewish references? Why? How does this highlight the importance of Point #1?
- c) Briefly describe "how" you became a Christian. Why is this an important part of everyone's story?

Point #2

- a) Read Acts 22:6-16. Try to identify the details of who, what, when, where, why Paul became a Christian.
- b) Why is Point #2 important? In what way does it provide a path for a non-Christian to consider?
- c) Describe the who, what, where, and why you became a believer. How does Point #2 encourage you?

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read Acts 22:1-5

- By way of review, how did Paul describe his life as Saul of Tarsus? Be specific. Why did he do this?
- In what way did Paul include his motivations, passions, and values? Be specific. Why did he do this?
- Briefly describe your life before becoming a Christian. Include your motivations, passions, and values.

TUESDAY // Read Acts 22:6-16, John 6:44, Deut. 28:15, 28-29, Isaiah 35:5, Psalm 104:2, Daniel 2:22

- Why did Paul transition into "how" he became a Christian? How did he use Jewish references to do so? Why?
- In what way was Paul essentially referring to the truth of John 6:44? How is this true for everyone?
- Briefly describe "how" you became a Christian. Why is this important for a non-Christian to hear?

WEDNESDAY // Read Acts 22:6-16

- As you re-read Paul's description of "how" he became a Christian, what details did he include?
- Specifically, how did he include who, what, when, where, and why? Write out your answer.
- What was your who, what, where, and why? What will this provide for a non-Christian? (i.e., path)

THURSDAY // Read Acts 9:3-19, 22:6-16

- As you compare and contrast the two accounts of Paul's conversion, what is different? Be specific.
- Why do you think he didn't include everything when talking to the crowd? What does this highlight?
- In what way might you edit how you became a Christian when talking to someone who grew up in church?

FRIDAY // Read John 1:43-50

- How did today's reading describe "how" Nathaniel became a Christian? What was his B.C. perspective?
- Describe the who, what, when, where, why that took place. Be specific.
- What would be lost if the text just said that Nathaniel trusted Jesus? How does this encourage you?

SATURDAY // Read Acts 22:1-16

- How does Paul's story provide clarity to those in the crowd who were misjudging him? Give an example.
- Why is a B.C. perspective important for non-Christians to hear? Why is the "how" to become a Christian critical?
- As you review your B.C. days and "how" you became a Christian, what stands out as significant? Why?

MEDITATION VERSE: *No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him.*

John 6:44