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Wednesday Night Bible Study – June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
**“TELLING YOUR STORY”**

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***Your Story Matters***

1. Your friends will be interested
2. They’ll be able to relate to it
3. Your story is hard to argue with
4. *“The skeptic may deny your doctrine or attack your church, but he cannot honestly ignore the fact that your life has been changed.” - Chuck Swindoll, Come Before Winter*

***Paul’s Story***

**BEFORE CHRIST**

**Acts 26:4-11** *“I [did] all that was possible to oppose the name of Jesus...”* (v. 9)

**WHEN I MET CHRIST**

**Acts 26:12-18** *“As I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven...and I heard a voice...”* (vv. 13, 14)

**SINCE I MET CHRIST**

**Acts 26:19-23** *“So then...I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven...”* (v. 19)

***Develop Your Story: Six Questions***

**BEFORE CHRIST**

1. **What was your early spiritual background, and how did it affect you as you grew up – your feelings, attitudes, actions and relationships?**

My Story (Question 1):

***STORY TIP: WISDOM WITH DETAILS***

**2. What caused you to begin to consider following Christ?**

My Story (Question 2):

**3. What realization did you come to that finally motivated you to receive Christ?**

My Story (Question 3):

***STORY TIP: MAKING IT CLEAR***

**4. Specifically, *how* did you receive Christ?**

My Story (Question 4):

**5. How did your life begin to change after you trusted Christ?**

My Story (Question 5):

**6. What other benefits have you experienced since becoming a Christian? Especially, think of ones that would best relate to the person on your *Impact List*.**

My Story (Question 6):

### **CONCLUDING QUESTION**

It's best to end your story with a concluding question or statement that requires a response from the other person.

Circle the following statement or question that seems most natural for you **or** write your own.

- So, that's what happened to me. Can you relate to any of it?
- How about you – what's your spiritual background?
- Were you taught any of this growing up, or maybe I can ask, what do you believe?
- That's my spiritual story. I'd like to hear yours.
- Does it make any sense to you?

My Concluding Question:

### **UNIFYING THEME**

This is the central issue in each of our stories that illustrates the difference it's made to know and follow Christ.

My Unifying Theme: