

THE ROMANS ROAD SIMPLE METHOD

FOR NEW CHRISTIANS - 2 PAGES – MORE DETAIL

Memory Verse

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

We are to be witnesses starting with our neighborhood and going out from there through the Holy Spirit's power and gifts!

**Did you have an opportunity to work on your personal testimony this week?
Did you have an opportunity to share your testimony with someone?**

A simple way for new Christians to share the Gospel is to use these 4 Scriptures in the Romans Road.

Jesus gives the disciples these necessary marching orders after His resurrection before returning to the Father. That their main purpose in life is to be His witnesses in those these meet, telling others of the things they have heard, seen, and learned from Jesus. And yes, we have the same orders today by learning a few down-to-earth ways to fulfill our sharing the Gospel command after discovering how to make and share a personal testimony. Today, we'll study how to share the Gospel with people using the Romans Road.

There are four verses we are going to read, understand, discuss, and focus on today. To begin, open your Bible or a New Testament Bible to the first blank page, and inside the front cover, write "Romans 3:23" with a pen. This is the first verse we will use for the Romans Road. Writing this text in front of your Bible empowers you to be immediately ready to start the Romans Road when you need it. Now open your Bible to **Romans 3:23**. For each of the four verses in the Romans Road, we will do three things:

- **In your, Bible highlight the verse using a colored marker, so it's easy to find.** (Would recommend picking one color for Salvation verses.)
- **Underline a keyword or two to guide and give emphasis to your discussion.**
- **Write down close to that verse in the Bible margin of what the next verse reference is.**

THE ROMANS ROAD GUIDE

1. Romans 3:23: (*Underline the word sinned and highlight this verse in your Bible.*)

Romans 3:23: "For all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God."

We have all sinned. We have all done things that are displeasing to God. No one is innocent.

(Now in the Bible margin, write ROMANS 6:23.)

2. Romans 6:23: (*Underline the words wages and gift and highlight this verse in your Bible.*)

Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

The punishment (wages) that we have earned for our sins is death. Not just physical death, but everlasting separation and death from God, but the Gift of God is a free gift of eternal life He offers us through Jesus!

(Now in the Bible margin, write ROMANS 5:8.)

3. Romans 5:8 (Underline the words *Christ died for us* and highlight this verse in your Bible.)

Romans 5:8: "But God demonstrates his own love toward us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Jesus' death paid for the price of our sins. Jesus Christ died for us!

(Now in the Bible margin, write ROMANS 10:9-10.)

4. Romans 10:9-10 (Underline the words *declare, Jesus is Lord, believe, you will be saved, heart, and mouth* and highlight these two verses in your Bible.)

Romans 10:9: "If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved."

Salvation and the forgiveness of sins are available to anyone who will trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. To be saved, we must confess and acknowledge our belief in Him and be willing to surrender control to God for our lives.

THE ABC'S OF SALVATION.

1. **ADMIT** to God that you are a sinner.
2. **BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ as God's Son.
3. **CONFESS** your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior & Lord.

(Now in the Bible margin, write PRAY close by the last verse.)

When you are finished sharing the Gospel with someone using the Romans Road, say: Would you (their name) like to follow the Romans Road to salvation? If so, here is a salvation prayer, you can pray to God. By saying this prayer below, you declare to God that you rely on and trust Jesus Christ for your salvation. The words will not save you. Only faith and trust in Jesus can provide salvation!

SALVATION PRAYER:

"God, I know that I have sinned against you and am deserving of Your punishment. But Jesus Christ bore the punishment for me that I deserve so that through faith in Him I could be forgiven. With your help and guidance, I place my trust and dependence in You for salvation. Thank You for Your wonderful forgiveness and Grace - the amazing gift of eternal life! Amen!"

APPLY AND PRACTICE THIS WEEK by highlighting the four verses and labeling the Romans Road in your favorite Bible or using a New Testament Bible, which is not as intimidating as a large Bible. This will give you a handy, easy-to-carry, and useful tool for sharing the Gospel with anyone. Once you have finished marking your Bible, then explain the Romans Road to a Christian friend or family member. Show them how to mark their own Bible!

Once you've had lots of practice, ask God in prayer to give you the opportunity to share the Romas Road with a nonbeliever this week, leaving the results with God!

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