Life Church Testimony Template

# Introduction

"May I tell you about the greatest thing that ever happened in my life?"

# Your Life Before Following Christ

## Sample Bullet Points (elements you **might** include):

(You can delete this section after you’ve filled in your own bullet points)

* Your ethnicity, where you were born, where you were raised:
* The general beliefs you were raised with and/or that you eventually adopted.
* What was your basis for deciding right or wrong?
* What were your most important goals?
* Your spiritual beliefs:
* What did you believe about God generally?
* What did you believe about Jesus?
* What did you believe about Christians? How did you treat them?
* Resurrection of Jesus - Jesus is of course central to your testimony. Keep in mind what you already know about Jesus as you reflect on your life before following him. The resurrection of Jesus is an extremely important point to be made in your testimony. What you believed about the resurrection or how you felt about it before you began following Jesus is worth sharing in this portion of your testimony.
* Examples that illustrate your former beliefs.
* Your former lifestyle:
* What kinds of things did you do?
* How did you behave?
* How did you treat others?

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## Your Paragraph

# Realizing Your Need To Follow Christ

## Sample Bullet Points (elements you **might** include):

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* Time period
* Did you come to the realization all at once or gradually?
* Your spiritual beliefs:
* What did you believe about Jesus at the time you realized you needed to follow him?
* How did realizing that you needed to follow Jesus agree or conflict with your spiritual beliefs?
* **Resurrection of Jesus** - This is a good place to make it clear that the Jesus you **realized you needed to follow** is the Jesus who **rose from the dead** three days after dying by crucifixion and being buried in a tomb.
* Examples that illustrate your realization.
* Your former lifestyle:
* How did realizing that you needed to follow Jesus agree with or conflict with your lifestyle?

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# Deciding to Follow Christ

## Sample Bullet Points (elements you **might** include):

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* Time period
* Did you decide to follow Jesus all at once or gradually?
* Your spiritual beliefs:
* What did you believe about Jesus at the time you began following him?
* What acts of repentance accompanied your decision to follow Jesus? **Did you get baptized?**
* **Resurrection of Jesus** - This is a good place to make it clear that the Jesus you **decided to follow** is the Jesus who **rose from the dead** three days after dying by crucifixion and being buried in a tomb.
* Examples that illustrate your decision.
* Your former lifestyle:
* How did the decision to follow Jesus agree with or conflict with your lifestyle?

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# Life Now, After Following Christ

## Sample Bullet Points (elements you **might** include):

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* Your current identity, where you live now, your current occupation:
* Your current general beliefs.
* Your current basis for deciding right or wrong.
* Your current most important goals?
* Your spiritual beliefs:
* What do you now believe about God, Jesus, Christians, etc.?
* **Resurrection of Jesus** - If you haven't already affirmed the resurrection, this would be a good place to make it clear that the Jesus you **now follow** is the Jesus who **rose from the dead** three days after dying by crucifixion and being buried in a tomb.
* Examples that illustrate your current beliefs.
* What acts of repentance accompanied your decision to follow Jesus?
* Your current lifestyle:
* What is following Jesus like for you?
* How do you behave? How do you treat others?
* How did realizing that you needed to follow Jesus agree or conflict with your lifestyle?
* How much of your agenda does Jesus occupy?
* How do you engage with other believers now? Are you part of a congregation? Are you part of a small group? What's the quality of your relationships with other Christians?

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# Conclusion

"Perhaps this has happened to you?"