Wednesday Night Bible Study – June 19th, 2019
“TELLING YOUR STORY”

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: