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Core Practices – Witness

Matthew 5:14-16 | troyumc.org/bands

Witness — sharing the gospel with pre-Christian people through authentic friendships, community engagement, Christ-centered parenting, and world mission.

We are the _____ of the world.

As followers of Jesus, we are his _____.

A witness is both a _____ and an _____.

- Go home and witness (Mark 5:19)
- Tell everyone what you have seen and heard (Acts 22:15)
- Count on the Holy Spirit, and be witnesses at home and in all the world (Acts 1:8)
- Be a light; don't hide; allow others to see God at work in you (Matthew 5:14-16)

We must overcome these 3 barriers:

1. I'm not a professional minister; I will let someone else do it.
2. I never have a good opportunity to share my faith.
3. I worry about how others will respond if I share my faith.

What barriers hold you back?

What is one area in which God may be calling you to be His witness?

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
Are read by more than a few,
But the one that is most read and commented on
Is the gospel according to you.
You are writing a gospel, a chapter each day
By the things that you do and the words that you say,
Men read what you write, whether faithless or true,
Say, what is the gospel according to you?
Do men read His truth and His love in your life,
Or has yours been too full of malice and strife?
Does your life speak of evil, or does it ring true?
Say, what is the gospel according to you?
— Arthur McPhee