

Why testify?

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What is a testimony?

Definition Oxford Dictionary

*To give evidence as a witness in a law court *Serve as evidence or proof that something exists or is the case

What happens when we testify? *We give evidence/proof of who The Father, The Son and the Holy Spirit is.

Different types of testimonies:

*Personal experience *Sharing other's experiences *Salvation *Healing *Provision etc

We trust the Holy Spirit to show us what to share where and when. We practise finding the gap.

Why do we testify

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto death.

*To overcome the enemy. *It's a natural outflow. *To bring glory to Christ *To encourage one another Can one testimony be more significant than another?

Can a glass of water be more wet than another glass or jug or ocean of water?

What keeps us from testifying?

*Maybe you have not found the pearl of great price?

Math 13:45,46 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, 46 who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it. *Ignorance

Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge

*Fear of man

Proverbs 29:25 The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is safe. *Distraction vs eyes on the goal

Heb 12:1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us *Beleiving lies about your testimony.

Math 16:15-17 But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my **Father in heaven**

Who or what gives us the ability to testify?

Our personality, upbringing or culture?

The Holy Spirit wants to. Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth