

Sabbath School Panel — Second Quarter 2026

Lesson 12 (Tuesday)

Tips for Sharing Jesus

Opening Scripture

Isaiah 50:4 (KJV)

“The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.”

This verse frames the entire lesson. God equips His people to speak—not randomly, but **in season**, and specifically **to the weary**.

God Gives the Ability

Notice the phrase:

*“The Lord GOD hath **given** me...”*

The Hebrew word for *given* is נָתַן (**nātan**), a word with **great latitude of meaning**. It implies granting, entrusting, supplying, or bestowing—with flexibility.

Before examining *how* we share, we must notice *what* God equips the prophet to do:

- speak to the weary
- speak appropriately
- speak with timing

This echoes Jesus’ own mission statement in **Luke 4**, where He declares that He was anointed to bring good news to the broken and burdened.

Maximum Latitude in Sharing Christ

Because God *gives* with such breadth, this means:

- There is room for **personality**
- There is room for **temperament**
- There is room for **different gifts**

Sharing Jesus is not limited to one style or one personality type.

A Personal Illustration

A woman in the church had a natural ability to approach strangers—at places like Walmart—and simply say:

“Come to church with me. You’ll be blessed.”

That was her gift.

Others may feel:

“I’m not an evangelist.”

But God does not limit His work to what we *think* we can do. He often expands us beyond our expectations.

Evangelism Looks Different Than We Expect

At a Doug Batchelor evangelistic meeting, the power failed. Equipment shut down. Everything stopped.

A young man quietly came from the back, fixed the problem, restored the power—and the sermon continued.

In that moment it became clear:

That young man **was an evangelist**.

God was using him with **maximum latitude** to keep the gospel moving forward.

Bringing Faith to Bear

Sometimes sharing Jesus means explaining hope—not aggressively, but faithfully.

1 Peter 3:15–16 (KJV)

“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear: Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.”

This is often called *defending the faith*, but Scripture presents it more accurately as **testimony**.

A Key Tip: Don’t Fight

Fighting does not glorify Christ.

- Arguing hardens hearts
- Combateness overshadows character

Our **loudest sermon** is how we live.

The Word of God does not need us to argue for it—it speaks for itself.

Preparation Still Matters

The command to *“be ready always”* means:

- we must study
- we must stay rooted
- we must keep our hearts sanctified

We cannot share what we do not know.

Meekness and Fear

Scripture instructs us to speak with **meekness and fear**.

- Meekness is **strength under control**
- Fear is reverence—not intimidation

The danger we face is subtle:

There is something intoxicating about being right.

It can put us on a **high horse**.

How to Avoid the High Horse

The answer is found in **Acts 26:1–23**.

When Paul stands before King Agrippa, he does not begin with argument.

He begins with **testimony**.

- *“I was...”* (verses 9–11)
- *“Then I met Jesus...”* (verses 12–13)
- *“And my life changed...”*

Testimony keeps us humble.

The Power of Testimony

Your testimony:

- reminds you of where God brought you from
- guards your spirit from pride
- reaches hearts arguments cannot

It grows us—and it works on those who hear it.

Final Tip for Sharing Jesus

Have your testimony **ready**.

It is one of the most powerful tools God has given you.

God does not need you to win arguments.
He invites you to share what He has done in your life.