



Structure of a Stonecroft Talk

CREATE AN EFFECTIVE OPENING OF INTEREST TO SECULAR WOMEN

- _____ An effective opening prepares the audience to want to listen to what you have to say.
- _____ The opening should gain the listeners' attention and establish rapport with those who are not yet interested in spiritual things.
- _____ Use humor, a question, an illustration or a bold statement that relates to the content of your talk.

ESTABLISH THE NEED IN YOUR LIFE

- _____ Illustrate attitudes or feelings about yourself that made you realize you had a need for Jesus Christ.
- _____ Identify needs/emotions that are common to human experience so that audience can identify those in themselves even though their circumstances may be different.

CLEARLY PRESENT HOW YOU CAME TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST

- _____ What were the circumstances?
- _____ What did you do to become a believer?

PRESENT JESUS CHRIST

- _____ Jesus Christ is God's Son
- _____ He died for our sins (which separate us from God) so we can be forgiven
- _____ He was buried and rose from the dead
- _____ Gives eternal life to all who receive Him and believe

ILLUSTRATE WHAT GOD IS DOING IN YOUR LIFE.

- _____ Share what has changed within you since you invited Christ into our life.
- _____ How did God meet your previously stated needs?
- _____ How is God currently meeting your needs?
- _____ Support some of your illustrations with Scriptures, but be cautious of teaching or preaching.
- _____ Do not overly promote self or products such as books, music etc.

CREATE A STRONG SUMMARY

- _____ Pull together your theme with application to the audience
- _____ Conclude with a challenge for the listener to take definite action to receive Christ.

EXPLAIN HOW TO PERSONALLY RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST

- _____ Clearly state what a person must do to receive Christ.
- _____ Acknowledge those not ready to make a decision & those who already believe.
- _____ Include appropriate Bible verses, but avoid lengthy passages.
- _____ Invite those who desire to accept Christ to pray a prayer of acceptance silently with you as you pray aloud.

THEME

- _____ Is it clear?
- _____ Is it repeated throughout the talk in a consistent way?