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## DISCUSSION GUIDE

The Discussion Guide has three parts:

- Discussion Questions
- Episode Summary
- Tips & Guidelines for Hosting Discussion

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# Telling Others:

Why and how should I tell others?

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Q1

## What is your most embarrassing moment?

### SUPPORTING QUESTIONS

- What is the most embarrassing thing you have ever witnessed?

Q2

## Is it okay to talk about our personal faith with others? Why or why not?

### SUPPORTING QUESTIONS

- Is there a “right” or “wrong” time to talk about faith with people?
- Why can it be so awkward to talk about things like faith, spirituality and religion?

Q3

## What should the impact of Christians be in society?

### SUPPORTING QUESTIONS

- This session talks about how sharing the gospel is done through both **words** and **loving actions**.
  - What does that mean to you?
  - Where have you seen this? Or not seen this?

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## MORE QUESTIONS

*(Lots of groups leave 10–20 minutes after the episode is done for more conversation.)*

- What do you think about today’s episode?
- Did anything from the episode stand out to you?
- How was your experience on the Alpha Weekend? Did any moment stand out to you?
- There was a cartoon about how Ben’s dad heard about Jesus while hitchhiking.
  - What do you think about that story?
  - How do you think the driver felt after he dropped them off?
- Danielle Strickland shared a story about a boy sharing lunch with a friend at school.
  - What kind of needs or opportunities like that do you see around you?
- What do you think about the idea of you and a few friends running Alpha for some of your other friends?
- What would you tell someone who is afraid or nervous to talk to other people about their faith?

# Episode Summary

## BIG IDEA

The message about Jesus is the best news anyone could ever hear! Because of who Jesus is and what he has done, we can have a relationship with God! With gentleness and respect, we can tell others about our faith and experience. Our words, prayers and loving actions all make a difference.

## KEY QUOTES & SCRIPTURES

You are the salt of the earth...You are the light of the world...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

**JESUS, MATTHEW 5:13,14,16**

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

**1 PETER 3:15**

A relationship with Jesus brings peace and joy. God fills our hearts with love. He brings meaning and purpose to our lives. He forgives us and offers us eternal life!

All I know is that I once was blind and now I see.

**JOHN 9:25**

Our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction.

**1 THESSALONIANS 1:5**

## Tips & Guidelines for Hosting Discussion

### GUIDELINES FOR THE GROUP

- You don't have to talk if you don't want to
- You can ask or say just about anything  
*(as long as you aren't putting other people down or making it so others can't talk)*
- Respect each other by listening and welcoming different opinions
- Keep things confidential when you leave the group

### TIPS FOR HOSTS & HELPERS

- Remember names
- Pray
- Be committed
- Show up early to welcome guests
- Stay long enough to chat with guests afterwards
- Keep the conversation alive and balanced
- Be encouraging
- End on time
- If time allows, debrief with your Alpha team to celebrate wins, chat about challenges and share prayer requests