



***Part 4: Keep on Sharing Jesus***

**Friendships offer opportunities and advantages for sharing the gospel.**

- **Friends naturally share good news with each other.**

Like Philip (John 1:45-46) and Matthew (Matthew 9:9-13), we are very glad to share the good news of Jesus with our friends.

- **Friends trust and respect one another.**

An atmosphere of trust does not make the gospel more powerful, but it may incline someone to give the gospel a fair hearing.

- **Friendship provides extended opportunity for sharing the gospel.**

We don't have to say it all at once or force the situation. We are able to build on previous witnessing in a natural way.

- **Friends know what is going on in a friend's life.**

We can sense opportune moments when our friends might be more willing to listen to a message of sin and grace. Christian friends are there in times of need to point to:

- 1) our greatest need—being right with God, and
- 2) Jesus who meets that need.

- **Friendship allows the unchurched to view faith in action.**

The unchurched person wonders, "What makes us tick?" The Christian responds, "It's all because of Jesus!"