

## How To Witness

The most often used and effective plan of soul winning that I use is the Roman Road method. This plan is confined to six brief passages in the book of Romans. The soul winner should mark these verses in his New Testament in a “go to next” manner. This was the first method I ever used in soul winning.

### Overview of this method

“May I share with you what scripture teaches a person has to do become a Christian?”

1. Romans 3:23 - The fact of man’s sin.
2. Romans 6:23 - The fact of man’s separation.
3. Romans 5:8 - The fact of man’s substitution.
4. Romans 10: 9 -13 - The fact of man’s solution.
5. Romans 10:13 - The fact of man’s security

### Presentation of the Gospel using this method

“May I share with you what the book of Romans teaches a person has to do to be saved?”

Step 1. “I want you first to look at Romans 3:23 and read it with me.

“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God” Do you know what sin is? It is the failure to keep the Ten Commandments and totally obey the Lord. Boy I certainly am in that category, how about you? Indeed all man is guilty, “there is none righteous, no not one.”

Step 2. Now turn to Romans 6:23 and see the effect of this sin. Read it for us.

“For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” The word “wages” is an old English word that simply means *salary or paycheck*. It is a term used for money received for services rendered. Here it means that the consequence of our sin against Holy God is the paycheck of eternal separation from Him. God would be just to keep us out of heaven and cast us into Hell due to our sin.

Step 3. If the gospel message stopped there you and I both would be utterly lost without hope, but it doesn’t. Read Romans 5:8 for us. “But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.”(NLT) Man cannot bridge the chasm between Holy God and himself created by his sin. Church going, tithing, doing good things, being religious and even believing in God cannot remedy man’s problem. In fact there is nothing man can do to get right with God. I have good news. What man cannot do for himself God has made possible through the Cross of His son the Lord Jesus Christ. You probably can quote John 3:16. It states, “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” Read that verse now inserting your name in the place of *world* and *whosoever*. God loves you so much He gave His only Son Jesus to die upon a Cross to make possible your forgiveness and salvation. What awesome love!

Step 4. Next read Romans 10: 9 -13 and Acts 20: 21 for it tells the how of salvation.

“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Romans 10:9-13).

“Repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ” (Acts 20:21). To become a Christian you need to repent of your sin and place faith in Jesus Christ (Acts 20:21). Repentance means to change one’s mind about his sin and relationship to Jesus Christ. It is to make an “about face” spiritually and to head in the opposite direction by expressing sorrow for sin and placing trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Who do you think the word “whosoever” refers in Romans 10:13? Indeed you, me and everybody else. This is a promise of God regarding salvation. Right now if you will turn from sin; place faith in Jesus Christ believing in what His death, burial and resurrection accomplished for man you certainly will be saved. Isn't that Good News?

Surely there is no reason why you wouldn't want to be saved is there? If you are willing to become a Christian then take my hand as a sign of faith and pray this prayer with me from your heart. “Lord Jesus, I am a sinner in need of your forgiveness. I am sorry for breaking your Law and my disobedience. Thank you for dying on the Cross and being raised from the dead to make my salvation possible. I do invite you into my life to be Lord and Savior. Amen.”

Step 5. This step is to grant security and assurance of salvation.

“My friend what did you just ask Jesus Christ to do for you?” He will respond, “I asked Him to come into my life and forgive me.” Do you believe He did? He will respond, “Yes, I do.” I want you to read Romans 10:13 again and explain what Jesus is promising in this text. They will state “Jesus is promising to save all those who call upon His name in faith and repentance.” You may also choose to use Revelation 3:20 to grant assurance telling the new believer that when anyone opens the door of their heart in faith and repentance to Jesus, He states, “I will come in.” Share with the new believer that Paul declares that absolutely nothing can separate the saint from the Savior. He declared, “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, for thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8: 35-39).