

Scriptures to Memorize

The following scriptures are some of the most common ones used when sharing the gospel. The goal is to memorize at least the first eight scriptures (this page). The other side has additional scriptures you'll find helpful as you share. There are so many effective scriptures you can use so, write them down whenever the Lord places it on your heart.

1 *These things I have written... that you may know that you have eternal life,..*"

1 John 5:13b

This scripture is often used as a way of getting started if you tell people God wants to give them eternal life, or after you share that you are absolutely sure you are going to heaven.

2 *...for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God,* *Romans 3:23*

Use this scripture when talking about sin.

3 *For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.*

James 2:10

This scripture is used when talking about sin—but makes the point a little stronger. It may help convince people they have a sin problem or help them realize they cannot make it to heaven on their own.

4 *...while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* *Romans 5:8b*

This scripture is used when talking about Christ—usually after you have already talked about sin.

5 *...I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.*

John 14:6b

When you need to make the point that Jesus is the only way to heaven, this scripture makes it clear.

6 *...Repent, and believe in the gospel.* *Mark 1:15b*

Jesus said this, and even started His ministry by proclaiming it. I use it when people seem hesitate to repent.

7 *But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God,...*

John 1:12

Use this when you tell people about receiving Christ.

8 *You believe that there is one God. You do well.*

Even the demons believe—and tremble! *James 2:19*

This is a good scripture to use when people are thinking about receiving Christ—or when people think that believing in God is enough. It's also effective when talking about sin.

Extra Scriptures

- 9 **For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.** Ephesians 2:8–9

This is one of my favorites—it is a great “all around” scripture that can be used anytime—especially when telling people that heaven is free.

- 10 **For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.** John 3:16

I bet you’ve heard this one before—it’s often used when talking about Jesus, receiving Christ, or whenever you want to review the gospel.

- 11 **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,...** John 1:1, 14a

You may think this scripture could be confusing to an unbeliever—but I have used it hundreds of times—and no one has told me they didn’t understand it, which testifies to the power of God’s Word!

I use this when talking about Jesus, especially when telling people that Jesus is God.

- 12 **...it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,** Hebrews 9:27

This is scripture can be used when taking about sin or when people are thinking about receiving Christ.

- 13 **For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.** Romans 6:23

If you are talking about sin or that heaven is a free gift, you’ll find this scripture effective.

- 14 **For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.** Jeremiah 29:11

This is a good scripture to use when talking about having a relationship with Christ.

- 15 **Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.** Revelation 3:20

When people are thinking about receiving Christ this scripture knocks on their heart.

- 16 **Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,** Acts 3:19

Try this one when people are thinking about receiving Christ or when you talk about sin or repentance.