***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

READY TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

*But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear.*

1 Peter 3:15

Introduction: Sharing the gospel with others is a frightening idea for many Christians. There are several reasons (or excuses) why we don’t tell others about Jesus. We’re afraid of losing a friend, embarrassing ourselves, or sounding judgmental. Yet, Scripture says that we need to “be ready” to convey the message of hope to lost souls around us (1 Peter 3:15). What does it mean to “be ready”?

1. KNOW WHAT YOU \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

a. The gospel is powerful because it is simple.

b. God loves us and sent His Son to save us (John 3:16).

c. Sinners respond with repentance and baptism (Acts 2:38).

2. KNOW YOUR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

a. Tell others how you learned about salvation (1 John 5:10).

b. Find a few key verses that speak to you (Acts 22:16, etc).

c. Tell others about the difference Christ has made for you.

3. KNOW THAT GOD WILL \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

a. The chance could come at any time.

b. Let it come naturally.

CONCLUSION: The gospel offers hope!

Answers: 1. Believe 2. Testimony 3. Open a door