

You are ready to follow Jesus!

You have just made a major decision for your life!

The Bible says that when you decide to follow Jesus all of heaven celebrates!

When Abner said yes to following Jesus, his friends prayed with him and embraced him with joy because they were ecstatic about his decision. He was celebrating his personal decision with a community that walked with him in his journey and were committed to helping him grow as a Christian.

First, pray with your friend:

Jesus, I believe that your death and resurrection broke the cycle of corruption in the world and in me. I acknowledge my responsibility in contributing to the damage in the world. I receive your forgiveness. I choose to follow you and let you be my leader. I receive your spirit

Then, celebrate together:

- With your friend:
 - Share one way that Jesus has given you hope or forgiveness as you have been learning more about him.
 - Share one thing about your friend that you are thankful for.
- With others:
 - Text or message your small group and tell them that your friend made a decision to follow Jesus today!

Finally, share about your decision:

Faith is a little like wet cement. The more we talk about what experiencing of God, the stronger the cement of our faith becomes.

- Prepare:
 - What are some of the ways you are stuck, and dissatisfied, and unsure how to make change?
 - How did Jesus answer your questions, and help you get unstuck?
 - What hope has Jesus given you now that you are following him?
- Tell your Story:
 - Call one friend or family member you trust, and tell them that you've made a big decision to follow Jesus.
 - Share the story you've prepared, and ask them to meet so you can tell them more about it.