

Viral: The Power of the Five Star Rating

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Questions: How do you choose a new restaurant? How much do you let user ratings influence your decision?

Read Acts 3 and Acts 4:1–22

Question: What effect does the idea have on you that Jesus may have passed by this lame man without healing him?

There are spiritual forces, societal pressures, religious beliefs, and familial influences that are intentionally trying to keep you silent.

Access the Alpha Canada Survey on “The Priority and Practice of Evangelism” here:

<https://alphacanada.org/lifeshared-2/>

Our current Canadian context includes:

- Residential schools.
- Much less Christian in our thinking.
- Pluralistic / values tolerance

31% of Church leaders believe that it is wrong to share one’s faith with someone in hopes that they will one day identify as Christian.

Questions: What is your response to these statistics? What is the biggest influence on you that keeps you silent from sharing the good news?

Read again Acts 4:12

Questions: What are some of the ramifications of this exclusive, narrow and intolerant statement? What makes it truth?

How we take this exclusive message to our culture:

1. Boldness
Read Acts 4:8
2. Priority
3. Relationship

Questions: Which one of these areas is the most challenging to you? What step will you take to move forward?

See the accompanied document of quotes from “Reimagining Evangelism” by Rick Richardson.

You have a story to tell.

Share your 5 star story by:

- Cultivating God’s presence in your life
– be aware of what He is doing around you.
- Cultivate faith in your heart
– believe that He is doing something around you every day.
- Add action to your faith
– boldly respond in the power of the Spirit to what He is doing around you.