

The word "connected" is rendered in a stylized, lowercase font. A solid white horizontal line passes through the center of each letter. The letters are colored as follows: 'c' is yellow, 'o' is red, 'n' is teal, 'n' is white, 'e' is red, 'c' is yellow, 't' is red, 'e' is white, and 'd' is teal. The 'c' and 'o' at the beginning and the 'e' and 'd' at the end have white circular centers where the line intersects them.

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CREATED TO CONNECT

AT WORK

---- **A TESTIMONY**

# LIVE A TESTIMONY

7 Ways to Live a Testimony at Work

# 1. Believe we're all in ministry

Colossians 3:17

“Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”

## 2. Accept that work won't be perfect

James 1:2

“Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.”

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**WHAT MY BOSS EXPECTS FROM ME...**



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- The enemy is entitlement
- Manage expectations
- *Choose* to be passionate vs *Find* your passion
- Can I reframe my boss/colleagues/workplace?

### **3. Focus on conversing not just converting**

1 Corinthians 3:6

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth.”

### **3. Focus on conversing not just converting**

- Be fascinated not fascinating
- Evangelism = ?
- Still be ready to share gospel
- Pray for them

# 4. Be fun to disagree with

Proverbs 16:21

“The wise in heart will be called understanding, and sweetness of speech increases persuasiveness.”

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## POP QUIZ:

1. Are you easy to disagree/wrestle with?
2. Would an atheist or Muslim or spiritual struggler or academic type want to talk to you?
3. Do you overpower or overtalk?
4. Are you a great question asker?
5. Do you state opinions with grace and humility?

# 5. Fight your fears

Psalm 34:4

“I sought the Lord, and He answered me,  
And delivered me from all my fears.”

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- Fears come from?
- Role of Self-Critical tendencies
- How?
  - Believe God can use you
  - Pray against them
  - Practice



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Summary:

- "I'm still scared!"
- "You can do it!" (with God's help)

# 6. Meet their needs

Matthew 25:34-36

“Then the King will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.’”

# 7. Handle conflict as if set apart

Matthew 5:9

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.”

# 7. Handle conflict as if set apart

1. Look in the mirror
2. Check your expectations
3. Celebrate differences
4. Go first to own your part (humility!)
5. Have healthy after-conflict conversations

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Q1: Love glitter? Q2: Which one could you apply more?

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WHAT IF...