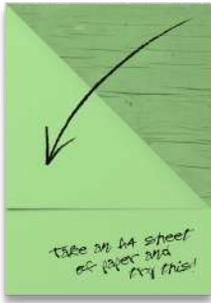




# TEAR & SHARE

## Trainers Manual

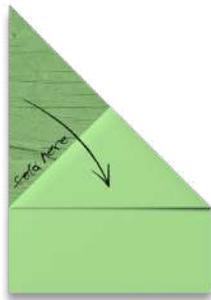
# HOW TO LEAD SOMEONE TO CHRIST USING THE TEAR & SHARE



## STEP 1: First fold

*Narrative:* Imagine this piece of paper is like a person's life. This person wants to enjoy his life. He enjoys nice things, nice clothes and nice gadgets, and he needs a nice home to put them in.

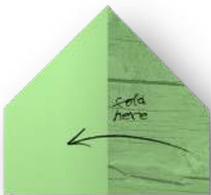
*Action:* Take the top right-hand corner of the page and fold it across to the left side of the paper to make a semi-detached house.



## STEP 2: Second fold

*Narrative:* The man sees that other people have nicer and bigger houses. He has feelings of aspiration and jealousy, and works even harder to get a better house with a nice garden and even a lovely swimming pool.

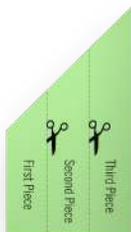
*Action:* Take the top left-hand corner of the page and fold it across to the right side of the paper. You should now have something that looks like a detached house with a pointed roof.



## STEP 3: Third fold

*Narrative:* But the man is still not happy and really wants to enjoy his short life. So, he gets away from it all, and gets on a plane and flies to Hawaii. Now Hawaii is so beautiful, but after 2 weeks, he's got to come home to work again to pay for his next holiday.

*Action:* Continue making a plane by folding the house shape in half. Crease it down the centre. You should now have something that looks like a paper plane. Fold the wings down to have a quick play.



## STEP 4: First and second tear

*Narrative:* But the man is still not happy as he gets older, he takes different things from life to be happy. He goes to parties; he meets a lovely lady. He gets married to her and has 4 lovely children. As he gets older, he gives money to charities, and he even goes to church to sing some of those lovely songs. But one day, the man finally dies.

*Action:* Now turn the point of the plane towards the sky, with the shorter edge to your left. Starting at the top left side, place your thumbs and forefingers a little a third across to the right, and carefully tear downwards in a straight line, until you have torn the first piece off altogether. Place the torn piece on a table where they won't get blown away. Then rip off another third), vertically (rip it as straight as you can). Place this second piece with the other, then put the remaining (long) third piece on the table, away from the other smaller pieces.

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**Action:** Now open the two pieces, and carefully make them into letters. You will find two "L's," and the other pieces of paper will form the letters "E" and "H." When you put them all together, you will have the word "HELL".

## STEP 5: Unfold small pieces

**Narrative:** The man went before God on judgement day, and God said to him, "What have you done with your life that is so good, so I can let you into Heaven? I love you so much and I have kept Heaven perfect for you because I do not want to give you anything that is less than perfect." The man said to God, "Well, I went to church, I gave to charity, I got married, had lovely children, had a nice job..." But God said to the man, many of the things were good, but they were not good enough to allow you access into a perfect Heaven. The trouble with everything you focused your life on, was that all of these things were short lived and of no real eternal value – that is why all you devoted your life to can only send you to Hell.



**Action:** The remaining long piece, when opened, will form a perfect cross. I always give this cross to the person I have shown the Tear & Share.

## STEP 6: Unfold the large piece

**Narrative:** God said to the man it is so sad, because I tried to prevent this from happening. That is why I sent my own Son, Jesus Christ. Isn't that clever!

Now let me leave you with this thought. The Bible says that God is "Holy", which means perfect. God cannot allow anything imperfect into Heaven, otherwise it would not be Heaven anymore. All of us have a body and a soul, and when we die, our soul lives on forever, either in Heaven or Hell. If we've broken just one of God's laws, for example if we've ever lied once, cheated once or hated once, then our souls become imperfect and we cannot enter Heaven.

The Good News is that God wants to forgive us! According to history, Jesus Christ came to our world to live a perfect life, and then die a cruel painful death on a cross to take the punishment that we all deserve for breaking His laws, so that if we put our trust in the sufficiency of what Jesus did for us and do two things we can be forgiven and one day enter Heaven.

1st...

Be willing to turn away from anything that we know is wrong in our life and say sorry to Jesus. God promises to help us with the things that we are powerless to give up, if we allow Him.

2nd...

We must surrender our life to Jesus Christ, acknowledging Him as God, and then humble our lives to Him in service.

If we do these two things, one day when we die, we will go before God on judgement day, and God will say to you, "My beautiful son or daughter, you have accepted my free gift of forgiveness through the death of my only perfect Son, Jesus Christ. So, welcome to Heaven!"

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## STEP 7: Spell the word 'Light'

**Narrative:** Many people tend to feel awkward and almost threatened when you speak about Jesus in any meaningful sense. The Bible explains this is because people are separated from God, due to the darkness of our understanding of who God is and the consequent hardening of our hearts towards Him (Ephesians 4:18). This is why Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

**Action:** Use every piece of paper (including the cross) to spell the word "Light".



## STEP 8: Spell the word 'Love'

**Narrative:** While the Cross, is the principal symbol of the Christian faith, recalling the Crucifixion of Jesus, and yet the Cross means different things to different people.

For some it is a mere fashion statement, for others it is an object of superstition. For Christians, the message of the cross is one of ultimate sacrifice. It is a message of Love.

**Action:** Use every piece of paper to spell the word "Love".



## STEP 9: Spell the word 'Life'

**Narrative:** The Bible says in John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10).

**Action:** Use every piece of paper to spell the word "Life".

*We hope you enjoyed this method of sharing the Gospel using the Tear & Share method.*

*Remember, practice makes perfect! Some people have been able to spell these words in different foreign languages. Why don't you have a go yourself? Try to come up with other useful words with these pieces of paper, or see if you can spell out these words in another language. We would love to hear from you.*

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# ASK THE QUESTION:

**Would you like to trust in Jesus  
right now and be saved?  
(if YES, continue)**

(if yes) The Bible says, "If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9) I can lead us in a prayer to God. Remember, it's not saying the words that saves you; God is looking at your heart for true faith in Jesus. Ready? (if yes) Let's pray:

"Dear God, thank You for loving me. I confess that I have sinned against You. I believe that Your Son Jesus died on the cross, to pay for my sins, and that You raised Jesus from the dead. I now put my faith only in Jesus and repent of all the things I have done wrong in my life. Please forgive me, and save me from my sins. I now confess that Jesus is Lord! Thank you for your gift of eternal life. I pray in the name of Your Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen."

## STEP 10: What happens next?



### **LOVE** God and all people.

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'" (Matthew 22:37-39)



### **STUDY** the Bible (God's Word) daily.

Start with the Gospel of John; read 1 chapter each day. "Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation" (1 Peter 2:2)  
"Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. (John 14:23)



### **PRAY** to God constantly.

In prayer you can thank and worship God, ask for His help, confess your sins, and pray for others. " Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)



### **MEET** regularly with other Christians.

God commands that Christians meet regularly for worship, prayer, Bible study, and helping each other. "...not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:25)



### **TELL** others the good news about Jesus.

God wants us to tell other people How to Have Eternal Life with God by trusting in Jesus to save them from sin. You can use this paper when you talk to others about Jesus! "He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." (Mark 16:15)