



A FEW TIPS FOR GIVING A TALK THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

1

FOCUS ON JESUS

Stay focused on the love and mission of Jesus Christ. If your topic is Family History or the Word of Wisdom, help us see Jesus' role in it. Jesus is the Light, the Way, and the True Vine. Connect us to the vine no matter the topic. Using the scriptures can help us find Jesus in your talk.



2

START STRONG

Airplanes take a long time to get off the ground. Helicopters are quick. Be a helicopter. You don't need to tell us about "when Brother Jones asked me to speak." Or about how nervous you are. Start strong with an engaging story. Or tell us why the topic is important to you.



3

TEACH A PRINCIPLE

Principles help people put the gospel into action because they often have a cause/effect framing. Don't just talk about charity or repentance. Help us see why living it matters. An if/then statement makes a principle clear. "If we sincerely repent, then the Lord will cleanse us of our sin."



4

HELP PEOPLE DO SOMETHING

Help people cross the bridge from knowing about the gospel principle to acting on the gospel principle. Sharing your personal experiences is a valuable tool for motivating others. Tell us about how you succeeded or struggled. Tell us about an experience that helped you learn for yourself. Tell us!



5

KEEP TO YOUR TIME

Respect the other speakers and the congregation by ending your talk on time. If you're given 10 minutes, don't take longer. Practice and time your talk in advance to make sure it stays within your limit.



More Information

