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Placing the Pebble

A simple, biblical way to share Jesus in everyday conversations, and trust God with the growth.

The Big Idea

Evangelism is often a process, not a single conversation. God uses many people, conversations, questions, and experiences to draw someone to Himself. **Our job is to faithfully share the gospel. God's job is the growth.**

What Is a Pebble?

A pebble is a biblical truth, a thoughtful question, a personal testimony, or a gospel insight that stays with someone, like a pebble in a shoe. Not to irritate or win an argument, but to introduce a truth worth considering. A good pebble is **Biblical · Simple · Personal · Respectful · Memorable**.

The Five Steps

1 **Build a genuine relationship**
Be a real friend, neighbor, or coworker. Care about the person, not a result.

2 **Listen and understand**
Ask questions and really hear their story, beliefs, and objections before you speak.

3 **Place one pebble**
Share one biblical truth, question, testimony, or gospel insight that will stay with them.

4 **Give them room to think**
Don't push or pile on. Let the Holy Spirit and the Word do their work.

5 **Continue the relationship**
Keep praying, keep showing up, and stay available for the next conversation.

Example Pebbles

Question: "What do you think Jesus meant when He said, 'It is finished'?" (John 19:30)
Scripture: "Whoever comes to me I will never cast out." (John 6:37)
Testimony: "I used to think differently about Jesus, but studying His words changed my life."
Gospel truth: "Salvation is a gift of grace. It isn't something we earn." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

What This Is NOT

Avoiding hard truths · replacing the gospel with vague questions · manipulating doubt · winning arguments · treating people as projects · refusing to invite someone to repent and trust Christ when they are ready. **The gospel stays central.**

> *"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth." (1 Corinthians 3:6)*
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> **You don't have to be the first, the most important, or the last person in someone's journey to Christ. Just be faithful with the opportunity God gives you. Plant the pebble. Trust God with the growth.**

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