#### Elevator Evangelism

How to make our holy encounters count



# Will you by word and example proclaim the Good News of God in Christ?

(BCP, 305)

"We should be doing evangelism as well, as often, and as authentically as we do outreach."

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

"Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you.'

1Peter 3:15

# The world is full of elevators.

#### Qualities of an elevator speech:

Personal and Sincere
Simple
Open-ended

# Personal and Sincere "I was a knucklehead" "I was choked by depression"

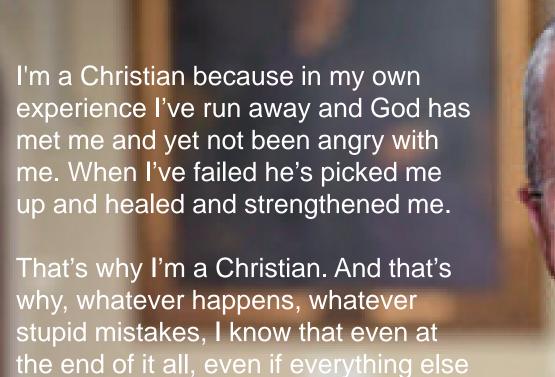
### Simple Know what is essential and say that.

I'm a Christian because Jesus Christ found me and called me, around 40 years ago.

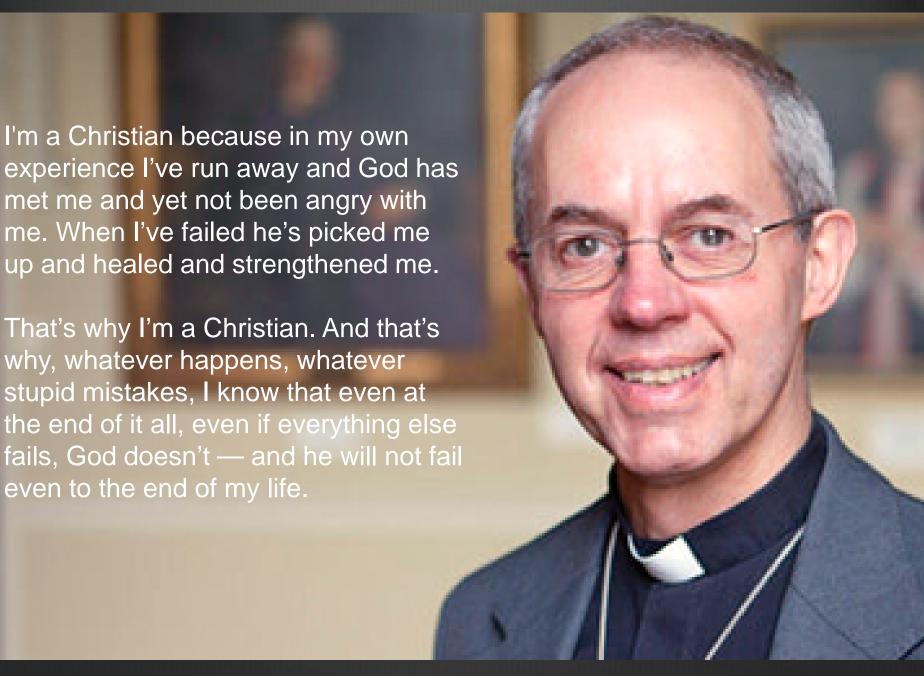
I'm a Christian because it makes sense to me, because Jesus rose from the dead - he conquered death and sin and suffering.

I'm a Christian because in Jesus I see the God who didn't say, "This is how you lot have got to behave, and I'm going to watch you and judge you." Instead he came alongside us and lived in the middle of the absolute foulest mess, and died unjustly young in great agony, and bore all that was wrong in this world on his shoulders.





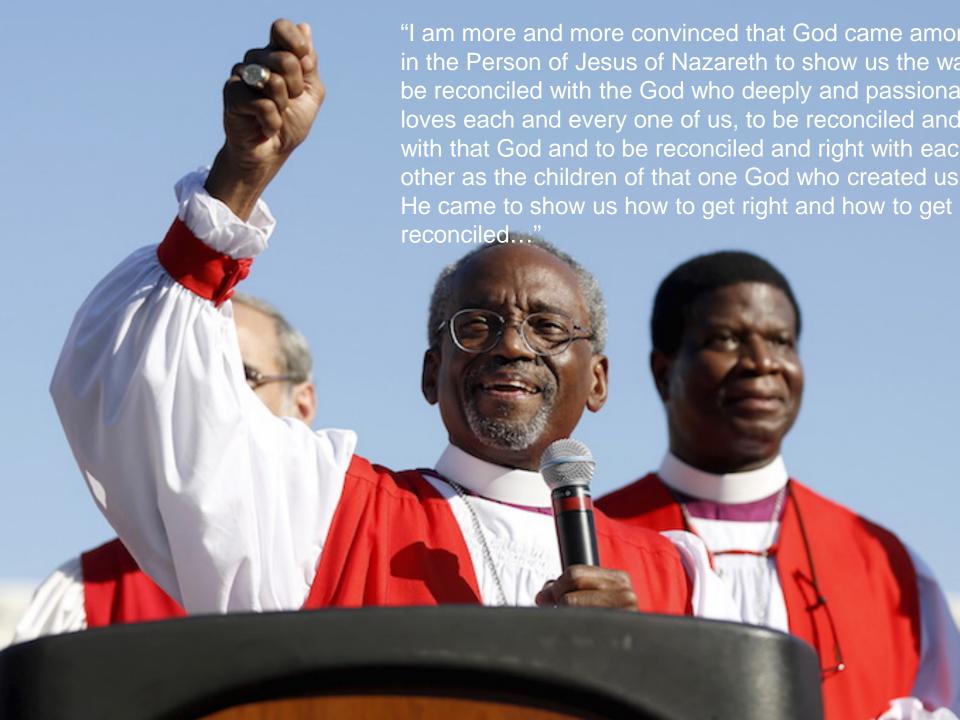
even to the end of my life.

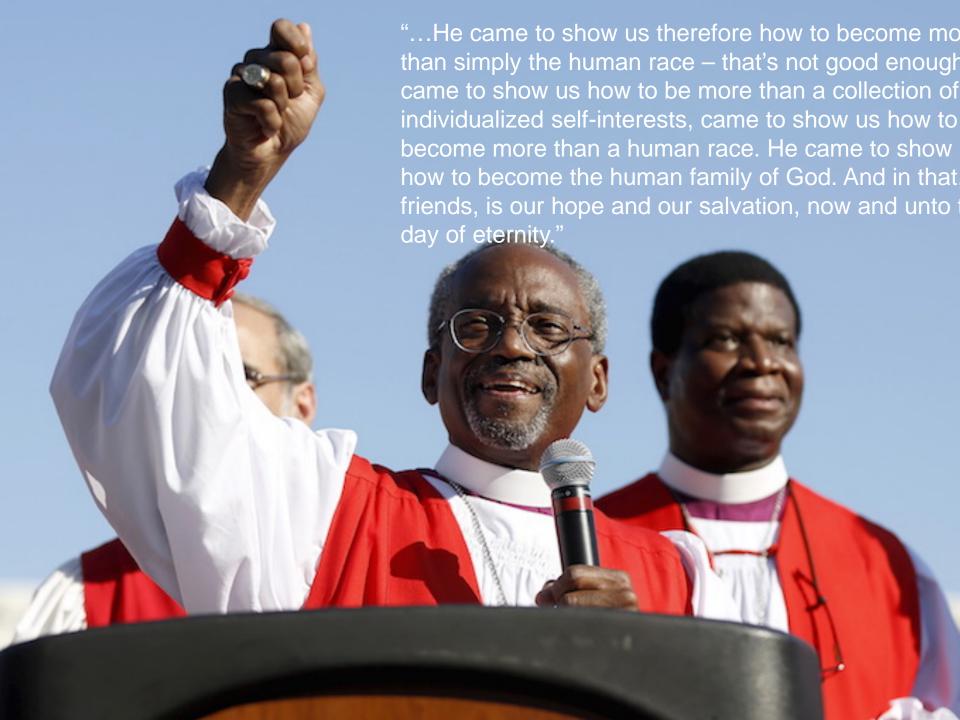


## Open-ended Leave them interested and wanting to know more

"God's grace is scandalous."
"Let's get coffee."







### Contextual Speak to your audience

### The more we share, the easier it gets

#### 1 Epiphany A – Acts 10:34-43 "We are witnesses of all he did..."

6 Easter A — 1 Peter 3:13-22

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