

## **“Progress Not Perfection”**

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1 Cor. 3:5-9

Jesus didn't command us to save people but to point the way to the Savior!

Cultivate – Be a friend

Plant – Tell a friend

Water – Stay with a friend

Harvest – Save a friend

### 3 Principles to Progress in Sharing Your Faith

#### 1. It's not about you.

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Why don't we share our faith?

- We are afraid
- We don't feel qualified
- We are too busy
- We don't think it's our place

#### 2. Do what you can, when you can, with whom you can.

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- Be patient
- Be consistent
- Be you

#### 3. God will take your natural effort and make it supernatural.

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*“Jesus said, “Come, follow Me and I will make you fishers of men.” Mark 1:17*