



## Are You Sure?

An evangelistic open air message for adults

### Introduction:

Good afternoon everyone, my name is \_\_\_\_\_.

I am here today with this sketchboard to present to you some very good news that has actually changed my life, and I believe it can change yours as well.

### Left Cliff

Imagine that this you at the edge of this cliff (point to the man), and you have come to the end of your life. No one knows when that day will come, but we know it will.

Therefore, everyone has questions about life...

1. Draw in the word **LIFE**.

People wonder what is the purpose of life? Where did life come from? And, especially people want to know what will happen when life is over? Is there life after death? Or, do you just go in the ground?

Most people believe in Heaven but are not sure how to get there.

2. Draw in the title: "**Are You Sure?**"

So, let me ask you a question today (looking at the crowd), are you sure that if you died today, you would go to Heaven?

3. Draw in the word: **Heaven**.

I can't think of a more important topic to come onto the street and share with you today. Because, I, at one time did not know God, or, know how to get to Heaven, but now I do, and want to share that with you.

Many people today all over the world put their trust in a religion...

4. Draw in the abbreviation: **REL**.

You may, or may not be putting your trust in a religion to save, but many people do. However, I'm not here today to talk about religion because I don't think religion can save anyone. In fact, I believe religion can keep people from Heaven.

Another thing people put their trust in their own goodness...

5. Draw in the word **GOOD**.

Most people, religious or not, believe they are good people, and when life comes to an end they will be good enough to go to Heaven. But is that true? The way we can find that truth out is not believing what we want to believe, but by looking to God the Author and Creator of Heaven.

6. Draw in the word **GOD**.

God alone is truly good. In fact, God is Holy...

7. Draw in word **HOLY**.

A simple definition of Holy is perfect. God is perfect in all He is and does. No one can compare to Him in all the universe. In fact, to please God we have to be holy, and this is where we fall way short.

- Pull out the Ten Commandment tablets and share 3-4 of the Law. (*Romans 3:19-20*).

So you can see that we are far from perfect, in fact the opposite is true. When God sees us, He doesn't see good people, but sinners; people in rebellion against Him who have broken His law (*Romans 3:23, 1 John 3:4*).

The result of our actions and disobedience against God is that we are not deserving of Heaven, but of a punishment which according to the Bible is Hell (point down off the cliff). Hell is described as a place separated from God in torment (*Luke 16, Revelation 21:8*).

Also our friendship with God is broken and cut off...

8. *Draw in a big black line separating the two cliffs.*

Our sin has broken off a relationship with God. Then in the end when we die, we will be eternally separated from God which is Hell. In fact, the most loving person who ever lived, Jesus Christ, talked more about Hell than any other historic religious person.

It is because of this important truth which is why Jesus Christ came to this earth. Jesus came to save us from the consequences we deserve, which is death (*Romans 6:23, 1 Timothy 1:15*).

So here is the good news...

9. *Draw the line across from the right cliff to the left cliff.*

...though we are rebellious and have broken God's Laws, Jesus Christ God's perfect Son came into the flesh to pay our fine (*John 1:14, Ephesians 1:7, 1 John 4:8*)

You notice now in my painting that Jesus is God coming to us (*Matthew 1:23*). And that is exactly who Jesus is...Jesus is God with us! God came down to earth to be our Savior, and rescue us from our sins.

Jesus became the bridge to life so now there is access to God through Jesus Christ (*1 Timothy 2:5*). Jesus claimed to be the only door to Heaven (*John 10:9*), and the only way to God (*John 14:6*).

Jesus came to die for our sins. To pay our debt, that we could never pay...

- Share the gospel and Bible verses in your own words...

*"But God demonstrates His own love for us in this, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8*

10. *Draw in the nails in the cross, and the drops of blood as you preach the gospel.*

Since the wages of sin is death, only a perfect substitute such as God Himself could pay our death penalty with his own life.

But it gets better because Jesus showed He is God and greater than death by rising from dead three days later...

11. *As you are talking about the resurrection, draw the empty tomb and the arrow up.*

This is what the Bible calls the gospel or good news. We are guilty before a Holy God, but in love and grace God sent His Son to pay for our crimes against Him and then raise from the dead to prove He worthy of our allegiance.

Well, the natural question to such great news is what do I have to do to partake in such a great offer with the Creator of the universe?

12. Draw in the word **TURN**.

All of us live this life and try to come to God with false ideas. Therefore, we need to repent or have an attitude change about what is really true and believe the truth of the gospel.

- If you believe your religion can save you (point to religion), you need to turn away from that belief and come to Jesus only to be forgiven.
- If you believe you are good person, you to repent and turn away from that false belief and embrace the truth that you are a sinner and need to be saved.
- If you believe you can make up for your sins but trying to live a better life, you need to turn away from that belief and trust in only Jesus to clean you up and give you a new life.

Therefore the Bible says, *“Believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved” Acts 16:31*

13. Draw in the word **TRUST**.

Everyone trusts in something, or someone to get to Heaven. Only Jesus can save you. Put your trust in Him today!

**Conclusion:**

Pick up the red counseling booklets and offer them to the crowd for people to come forward and grab one from your hand.

