

is to see them alarmed, because they should be—they are in great danger. This line of reasoning can help:

Let's imagine that a computer chip had been placed behind your ear, and it records everything that runs through your mind for a whole week: every secret thought, every deed, and every word that comes out of your mouth. Then all of your friends and family are called together and all of your thoughts are displayed on a big screen for them to see. How would that make you feel? Embarrassed? Ashamed? That is just what will happen on the day when God requires you to give an account for everything you've said and done for your whole life. All of your secret thoughts will be laid before Him. You are in big trouble.

It is wonderful to get a confession of guilt, but if the person simply won't be honest and admit his guilt, at some point you may have to help him. Say, "If you would just be honest, you know you will be guilty before God. Besides, that is what the Bible says and if you claim to be innocent, you are calling God a liar."

D—Destiny: Will you go to heaven or hell?

Gently ask, "Do you think you will go to heaven or hell?" People won't be offended because you are simply asking a question, rather than telling them where they're going. Some will say, "Hell," but most will say, "Heaven." If they think they are going to heaven, you can use this analogy:

Consider this. You are standing in a court of law, guilty of a serious crime. There is a \$50,000 fine. The judge says, "You are guilty. Anything to say before I pass sentence?" You answer, "Yes, judge. I'm sorry for what I have done. Please forgive me." Can a good judge let you go simply because you say that you are sorry, or that you won't do it again? Of course not. There is a \$50,000 fine