



Week Three | Dialogues > Monologues | 10.01-02.2022

Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal study time or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90-minute group gathering.

Message Recap: The version of faith that most people learn and adopt as kids answer the kid-sized questions we bring to it but as we grow older and the questions get harder sometimes our faith doesn't get stronger. We need to re-assemble our faith in a way that holds up to the pressures we face as adults. You don't have to deconstruct your faith to find what works, let's discover a re-assembled faith together.

» Opening

(3 minutes)

- Introductions - This is especially important if this is your first meeting or if there are new members.
- Housekeeping - Clarify expectations:
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting.
 - **Remember, there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.**
- Pray - Open your time together in prayer.

» Introduction

(12 minutes)

- Ice-Breaker: Which is easier: asking questions or answering them?
- Digging Deeper: What barriers do people face that prevent them from being more curious about God?

» Observation | Read Matthew 16:13-20; Mark 9:23-24; John 6:54-67

(12 minutes)

- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

» Key Principle | Questions keep us curious.

(12 minutes)

- Have you ever avoided asking questions because you didn't want to be responsible for knowing the answer?

» Who do you say I am? | Reread Matthew 16:13-20; John 10:22-30; Acts 2:32-36

(12 minutes)

- As our Savior, what role does Jesus play in our lives today? Is our salvation being worked out, or worked out already?
- How do we reconcile Jesus as both crucified sacrifice and imperishable Lord? Shepherd and conqueror

» Do you believe? | Reread Mark 9:23-24; Acts 2:37-44, Romans 4:16-25

(12 minutes)

- Does truth change because people believe or reject it? Does truth change those who believe it?
- What does it mean to be counted righteous and justified through our faith in Jesus?

» Are you also going to leave? | Reread John 6:54-67; Luke 22:14-20; Malachi 3:6,7,16-4:2

(12 minutes)

- What does it mean to become a treasured possession of God's, knowing He granted that for you through Jesus?
- Is it an option to make no choice about eternity? Are the only options righteous or wicked? Belief or betrayal?

» Next Steps and Prayer |

(15 minutes)

- The hard truths of following Jesus often leave us with big questions and conversations; what are the conversations you need to have right now with God and others?
- Close by praying for one another to embrace and engage in the necessary conversations by asking questions.