

Aiming for the Heart: 'Going Deeper'

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The following is a resource are series of questions that will help you deepen relationships with people through simple conversations.

Here are everyday questions.

How ya doing? Aka How are you doing? What's happening? What's hard? What's good? How's your marriage? How are your kids? How are you really doing? How's work? Things I can pray for?

These get a little closer to the heart

What are you into? How are you feeling? Relationships going well? Where you headed? How are you really doing? What have you thinking about? What are you learning? How can I pray for you?

As we walk with each other, matters even closer to the heart begin appear (emotions, loves).

You seem angry. What is it that is really getting to you? What is so important to you? What are you saying?

That sounds frightening. What is it that you are really afraid about? What do you think you might lose? Where do yo run when you are afraid? What are you predicting with your fear?

That is so hard. I am so sorry. How can I pray for you?

How do you make sense out of all this?

What is important? What is most important?

Can I pray for you (now)?

As you get closer still, you talk more explicitly about the Lord.

Who is the Lord to you in the midst of this? Is he good? What does he say? What does he say that sounds good? What do we know (i.e. God hears, the Gospel itself)? Who are we, and what is our purpose? Our aim: to know the Lord so we trust him. How can we pray?