

BUILDING MOVEMENTS: WIN COMMUNICATING THE GOSPEL

CLARIFYING QUESTIONS

Clarifying questions to ask while sharing the gospel

A. Questions for breaking through barriers:

- Do you consider yourself a truth seeker?
- What's your spiritual background?
- Have you ever read the Bible?
- Have your views on religion changed since you started college? How?
- Have you ever discussed what Biblical Christianity is?
- Why do you think you feel the way you do toward Jesus Christ and his message of love and forgiveness?
- What is your philosophy of life based on?
- Do you believe what you've been brought up with?
- Why do you think Christianity isn't relevant to your life?
- If Christ was who He claimed to be, how would that affect your life?
- What are you living for? What do you value most?
- If your questions could be answered in a way that would satisfy you, would you believe you need Christ to pay for your sins?

B. Diagnostic questions

1. Ask: "If you dropped dead, do you know for sure you'd go to heaven?"
2. Or ask: "If you died and stood before God and He asked you 'Why should I let you into Heaven?' What would you say?"

C. Questions to use while presenting the gospel:

- What is sin?
- Do you believe this definition of sin?
- End of Law 2: If this were all the Bible had to say about our relationship with God, what would you conclude?

GOOD QUESTIONS

Equally important to knowing the content of the gospel message is knowing a handful of really good questions to ascertain if they are understanding or locating where the barriers may be.

In this document are some good questions but too many to remember them all. So grab a handful and try to memorize those you feel will be most helpful.



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- What is a wage?
- What is your concept of spiritual death?
- If someone thinks the death of Christ is only symbolic ask, “How could a not very real Jesus deal with our very real sin?”
- Why did Jesus die?
- It’s documented that there were more than 500 people who saw Jesus alive after he died. If this event went to trial and 500 witnesses were marched in, what would the jury decide? Is this eyewitness testimony enough to prove Christ’s resurrection beyond reasonable doubt?
- What about Buddha or Mohammed? Did any other religious leader claim to be God? Did they overcome death?

D. Questions for bringing someone to a point of decision:

- Who are you trusting to pay for your sin?
- What would happen if you prayed this prayer?
- What’s holding you back from making this decision?
- Why is _____ significant enough to keep you from deciding?
- If ambivalent ask, “Do you understand the significance of this decision?”
- Why would anyone say this is the most important decision you’ll make?
- Go to 1 John 5, then back to the circles.
- How many times would a person need to make this decision?
- Why is this person spiritually dead and this one spiritually alive?
- How do we get Christ into our life?
- What will Christ do if you pray this prayer?
- What would happen to you if you were to die, according to your beliefs?
- If already a Christian ask, “When did you invite Christ into your life?”