HOW-TO GUIDE TO MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS

YOUR QUICK-START GUIDE TO INTENTIONAL, STRUCTURED, MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS ABOUT GOD'S WORD



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Who? You and anyone.

What? Intentional, structured, meaningful conversations around God's Word and living as a Christ-follower.

Through discussion and prayer, together, you would

- Create a relationship of mutual trust
- Cultivate authenticity & transparency
- Grow in Biblical knowledge
- Inspire one another to "love and good deeds" (<u>Hebrews 10:24</u>)

When? Regular one-on-one meetings.

Why? Jesus calls me to make disciples (fully devoted followers of Christ) (<u>Matthew 28:18-20</u>). At Christ Fellowship we have meaningful conversations where people experience Christ through us.

So that: We grow in Christlikeness as a disciple and disciple-maker.

How? Using the Informal Disciple-Making Guide and consider adding a suggested resource listed below.

Suggested Resources:

- The 7 Big Questions by Bruce Miller (apologetics)
- What Does God Want? by Michael Heiser (New Believer)
- Discovery Series from CCBT (Doctrines)
- Engage God Daily (short, daily, Bible study)
- Faithlife Study Bible (Bible with study notes)
- The Bible Project (studies/themes/topics)
- Bible App (reading plans; video teaching)
- <u>Biblia Online</u> (free Bibles and study tools)
- Pastors Pregame podcast (prepare for Sunday's sermon)
- <u>Discipleship Pathways</u> (Christ Fellowship guided discipleship)



Meaningful Conversations: A How-To Guide

Before you get together:

Pray, prepare, and plan your time. Select one or two questions or prompts from each section below to help focus your time together.

During your meeting:

- 1 Catch-up.
 - Share something real about your life/week.
 - Share a praise for something good.
 - Share what you're asking/trusting God for.
- 2 Get in the Word.
 - Read aloud a verse that's encouraging/challenging/impacting you.
 - Share a message or a teaching that's still resonating in your heart.
 - Discuss resources such as a book, video series, or Bible study.
- 3 Ask the hard questions.
 - Are you engaging in the **Four Practices**?
 - ♦ Talk about your time with God.
 - Where are you experiencing biblical community?
 - ♦ How are you growing through corporate worship?
 - ♦ Whom are you impacting personally?
 - How's your relationship with God?
 - ♦ What's pulling you away from God right now?
 - What's pushing you towards God right now?
 - ♦ Who are you helping find and follow Christ?
 - What's your best next step to follow Christ?
 - How's your relationship with others?
 - How are you displaying love, kindness, patience and other fruit of the Spirit? (Galatians 5:22-23)
 - ♦ How are you cultivating new relationships?
 - Share a recent example of a meaningful conversation where someone experienced Christ through you.
 - ♦ What are you doing to strengthen or restore a current relationship? (Colossians 3:12-14)
- 4 Pray over what you've talked about.

After you meet:

Pray for one another, touch base in between meetings, and consider serving together.

