

Towards Disciple Making Movements to the Fourth (Spiritual) Generation ...

Inviting a Key/Person of Peace (or their friendship circle) to experience an initial Discovery Process

Setting:

You or I are in conversation with a group or person of peace. We want to invite them into a discovery conversation about 2-3 verses of scripture. We may not be sure if the time is “right” or if the person is “ready” but want to ‘test the water’.

How can we invite our POPs to experience a discovery process? There are several ways...

Tell a story...

Many people know little or no scripture. We can just say, “Let me tell a story....” and paraphrase an event or parable from the Bible.

Then ask:

What do you think this story means?

What does it tell us about God?

What does it tell us about Jesus?

What does it tell us about people?

If it's true, what how might we respond?

What would (or will) you do differently?

For whom would this be good news?

Ask for 10 minutes...

Ask the Lord for a passage relating to the topic of discussion and experiment with a natural transition question, e.g.:

The felt need may be worry ...

- “Can I show you how to hear God speak into your life? Do you have 10 minutes?”

What passage might you open? Matthew 8:23-27 or
God's intention for good – Jeremiah 29:11

- “Would you like to learn how to develop your relationship with God? Do you have 10 minutes? Can I show you now?”

What passage might you open?

The felt need may be anxiety, stress, or lack of peace ...

- “Would you like to learn from the Bible the source of hope and courage? Do you have 10 minutes? Can I show you how?”

What passage might you open? John 14:7 or Romans 8:37-39 or ...

Fear of Death – John 14:14 or ...

Storms of life – Matt 7:24-27 or ...

- “Would you like to learn from the Bible how to forgive? Do you have 10 minutes? Can I show you how?”

What passage might you open?

What other kind of invitation question to a first discovery conversation might be natural to you?

- 1.
- 2.

What passage might be a good starting point for a variety of needs...?

Primarily the Central Questions (later discovery conversations will include all 7 questions)

What does it say?

What does it mean?

How will you respond? How will this change your behavior? (“I will” statement...)

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