

WHO CAN YOU TALK WITH ABOUT GOD?

DAY 4

Just for fun, write down a couple of topics that you and your friends always like to talk about.

It's easy to talk about those things, right? But let's be honest. Talking about God can be a bit more challenging. Sometimes it seems a little intimidating to bring up the topic of what you believe.

Here's the good news. Talking about God doesn't have to be a formal thing. It doesn't have to get weird. The truth is, almost everybody is at least a little curious about God.

Don't be afraid to bring up the subject. Don't be afraid to invite a friend to church. You never know—they might love it! You can talk about God with just about anyone. And you might be surprised how much they enjoy talking about Him too.

LIVE
FOR GOD

COMMITMENT

MAKING A
PLAN AND
PUTTING IT
INTO PRACTICE

DAY 1

READ MATTHEW 16:13-20

This passage comes from a time when Jesus was getting more and more popular, and people were starting to wonder who He really was.

It's interesting that Jesus asked His disciples two different questions. Go ahead and highlight both of them in your Bible.

"WHO DO PEOPLE SAY THE SON OF MAN IS?"

(in other words, "Who do people say I am?")

And . . .

"WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?"

It's easy to go along with what other people say is true—especially if you really trust them. Maybe you've grown up with or spent time with friends or family who believe that Jesus is who He said He is—the Son of God. But the question really is about you. Who do you say Jesus is? Each person has to decide what they really believe for themselves. No one else can do it for you.

So what about you? Who do you say He is?

HEAR
FROM GOD

WEEK 3 - PRETEEN

DAY 2

We live in a culture right now where everyone wants to share the cool things they've done with other people. Social media has made this so easy!

For example, if you're spending the day at the aquarium, your older sister is probably going to take some selfies with the stingrays and make an Instagram story.

CAN YOU RELATE? DOES THAT HAPPEN IN YOUR FAMILY?

It's important to talk about God with other people. That can become a habit, just like posting about your "highlight reel" on Facebook or Twitter. One really cool way to do it is to tell others what God has done in your life. You can share a prayer that God answered, when He came through for you in a big way.

DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF WHEN YOU SEE GOD DO SOMETHING AMAZING. BECAUSE WHAT HE DOES IS ALWAYS WORTH SHARING!

PRAY
TO GOD

DAY 3

It's amazing what you can learn from other people. You've just got to decide in advance that you're going to *listen*. And it also helps to ask good questions!

You probably have one of those questions that you've always wondered about. It could be something really challenging, like "Why do bad things happen to good people?" Or it could be something other people have said about God that doesn't necessarily make sense to you.

Think of some people you know who are really committed to God. It could be your mom or dad, a grandparent, small group leader, or maybe a teacher at school.

When you find a good time for it, ask them if it would be OK if you ask them a question about God. Tell them you really respect them and you'd like to know what they think.

Now, they might not know the answer.

(Depending on the question, there may not be an "answer" that we can fully understand.)

BUT ONE THING'S FOR SURE—YOU'LL BE LEARNING AND GROWING IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD BY TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING THAT REALLY MATTERS!

TALK
ABOUT GOD