

TALK IT OVER

It's OK to Ask

Week 2

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Icebreaker: Did Adam and Eve have belly buttons?

2 Helpful Elements:

- ✓ Bible: All things are equally important, but not equally applicable.
- ✓ God always has a “why” behind the “what.”

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1. Will we be married in heaven?

Matthew 22:30 (NLT) “At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven.”

The LORD God said, ‘It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him’” (Genesis 2:18)

2. How do I forgive a loved one unconditionally and also protect myself from being hurt again?

Ephesians 4:32 (NLT) Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

3. How do you address your pastor with feedback that will be well received?

Matthew 18:15-17 (NLT) “If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back. But if you are unsuccessful, take one or two others with you and go back again, so that everything you say may be confirmed by two or three witnesses. If the person still refuses to listen, take your case to the church. Then if he or she won't accept the church's decision, treat that person as a pagan or a corrupt tax collector.

4. Is suicide an unforgiveable sin?

Biblical instances of death by suicide: Abimelech, Samson, Saul, Saul's armor-bearer, Ahithophel, Zimri, Judas

Mark 3:28-29 "I tell you the truth, all sin and blasphemy can be forgiven, but anyone who blasphemes the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven. This is a sin with eternal consequences."

Blasphemy: a persistent and unrepentant refusal to acknowledge the divine source of God's work; hardened heart that rejects the convicting and transformative work of the Holy Spirit

5. Do you have to be baptized to be saved?

Greek word *baptizo* = to immerse

Acts 2:38 (NLT) Peter replied, "Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 6:4-5 (NLT) For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.

6. Do you baptize infants and Landing Place?

Acts 16:33 (NLT) Even at that hour of the night, the jailer cared for them and washed their wounds. Then he and everyone in his household were immediately baptized.

7. I'm new to Landing Place. How do I get connected here?

Acts 2:42 (NLT) All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer.

Newcomers Brunch – monthly at 11am on Sundays in the Family Room
Starting Point – 4 week connection gathering; during 10am service

References:

Website for questions about faith: <https://www.gotquestions.org/>

Videos on a host of topics: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/landingplace>

Boundaries by Henry Cloud: <https://www.amazon.com>