

These questions are designed to create and foster a safe place for close relationships to grow through intimate and intentional conversations in the important areas of: MARRIAGE, FAITH, PARENTING, and FAMILY HISTORY. These questions are not meant to be a cure all, they are a starting point for deepening relationships with one another and with Jesus.

Women

Married

Marriage

What frustrates you about being married? About your partner?

How does your expectation of marriage match with the reality of your marriage?

Faith

How does your individual journey with Jesus differ from your marital journey with Jesus?

How do I cope when a spiritual journey is not high on my partners list of priorities?

Parenting

How is your parenting similar/different from what you experienced as a child?

Who is the disciplinarian in your family? Who is the "fun" one? Are you happy with those roles?

Family History

What role did holidays play in your family?

Were there any "typical" gender specific roles or expectations growing up?

Are your views any different?

Single

Marriage

What does the bible say about marriage vs. partnership?

Do I believe being single is a sign of non commitment or a choice?

What feelings do you direct at God due to being single?

What was the example of what marriage looked like growing up?

Faith

What do you say to those who say being single is a sign of lack of faith?

Does God call people to be single?

How do you balance faithfulness vs independence? Is there a difference?

Parenting

What was your example of parenting growing up?

Am I less than in the eyes of God because I don't desire kids?

Family History

Is being single a response to something that happened in my family history?

How has my family history affected my view of relationships?

Men

Married

Marriage

Are you truly engaged in your marriage as a partner/parent or are you merely there physically?

How do you handle conflict? Ie: yell, shut down, leave the situation, etc...

Faith

Is faith personal to you...or just something for your partner?

Parenting

Do your children fear you or respect you?

Are you an active or passive parent?

Family History

Did you have a positive picture of "manhood" growing up?

If you didn't have a positive picture of a male growing up, what are you doing to break that cycle?

Single

Marriage

What does your picture of marriage look like?

How do you deal with the feelings of being inadequate or unable to provide?

Faith

How much time, effort, desire do you invest in your spiritual health right now?

Did you have an example of a faith filled male growing up? Was it a negative or positive experience?

Parenting

What scares you most about the possibility of parenting?

What excites you the most?

Family History

What is your heritage/ancestry?

Are there any mental/physical health issues you need to be looking out for or are currently dealing with?