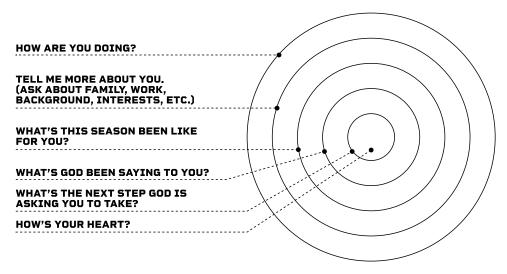


HOW TO HAVE MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS

These are examples of questions you can use to have increasingly meaningful conversations and build relationships with the people of God. Too often, our conversations stay at the surface level and never move to a place where we start to truly connect with each other. Let these simple questions guide you as you take the Someone Else Challenge this week.



HOW TO RESPOND IN A MEANINGFUL WAY:

LISTEN – Listen with your ears and your heart

LOOK THEM IN THE EYE - Be present and focused on them

RESPOND TO WHAT THEY SAY – Acknowledge their answers with interest, encouragement, and compassion

ASK FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS – Take the conversation deeper ("Tell me more.", "How does that make you feel?", "How can I help?")

DON'T TALK ABOUT YOURSELF – This isn't about you!

PRAY FOR THEM – Either in the moment or during the week

FOLLOW UP - People feel loved and valued when you remember what they said and respond