

DAWSON TABLE – Conversation Topics - Year 2

Month 1:

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.” - Matthew 7:7-8

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- Why are you here?
- What words or memories come to mind when you think about prayer?
- If you had a list of prayers that were unanswered because you were “unasked”, what would be on it?
- How can we best pray for you right now, today?

Month 2:

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.” - Proverbs 3:5-8

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- What do you think would probably surprise most people about you?
- What surprises you most about Jesus?
- Has anything ever happened to you that was dramatic, personal or spectacular enough to cause you to be certain there is a God who is both infinite and personally caring?
- What answers to prayer have you seen in your life?

Month 3:

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.” - Colossians 4:2

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- In what settings do you find it most difficult to be grateful?
- Is gratitude part of your daily prayer habit?
- How would you define “prayerlessness”? How does it affect spiritual health?
- What is between you and peace with God?

Month 4:

“...that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God’s mystery, which is Christ,...” - Colossians 2:2-3

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- What is your favorite Biblical character or Scripture passage? Why?
- Think of a situation in your life where you could use a fresh start. What would it look like for you to start fresh?
- What is one thing you could do this year to increase your enjoyment of God?

Month 5:

“From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”

- 2 Corinthians 2:16-20

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- What have you learned “the hard way” in your life?
- What would your friends say is an important part of your life story?
- What example(s) of redemption do you see in the Bible?
- Can Jesus redeem the things in your life that have caused fear/hurt/loss/betrayal/abandonment/loss of hope?

Month 6:

“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.”
- Colossians 3:23

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- What do you just love to do?
- What do you feel “called” to do?
- How does the Bible support and/or encourage you as you serve?

Month 7:

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.” - Galatians 5:22-26

CONVERSATION TOPICS:

- What have you learned about prayer and/or the Bible gathering around the TABLE this year?
- Which of those two areas do you feel confident sharing with others?
- What would help encourage you in these areas this summer?
- How can we best pray for you right now?