



Let's Talk About Things You Are Thinking About!

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1. How did you know what your purpose was in life?

- A. I studied my desires (What do you want to do?)
- B. I studied my success (What have you done well?)
- C. I studied what I made money doing (Can you make a living at it?)
- D. I studied how many people supported it (Are people excited about it?)

2. How did you get over times when people hurt you?

- A. I looked at who was talking to me (Hurt people normally hurt people)
- B. I made sure they did not have power over me (Plan your self-empowerment?)
- C. I separated myself when it became a danger to me (Sometimes you cannot stay, God leaves some people that **refuse to change**, cp. Psalms 51:11)

- “Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.” (NIV)

3. Have you been afraid during this pandemic? (Not afraid, just concerned that people would ignore Covid-19 and create a long-term issue for all of us)

4. How long do you think this pandemic will last? (The effects will be around for years, the short-term effects will slowly subside, but for many the fears will remain.)

5. How do you balance your desire to succeed with being humble? (I try to humbly succeed)

6. How do you balance your God given sexual design and restrain from sexual temptation?

- I think beyond a few minutes of potential pleasure. I have never seen an out-of-control person in this area of their life find happiness

7. What are the biggest mistakes you have made and how did you overcome them?

- I failed to study enough history to see the different historical connections
- I assumed that helping others was always going to help me
- I, for a season, confused debt with income. I tolerated debt and low margins in the name of sowing, giving, and investing

8. When will we go back into the building for church and what do you think about those who open up for in-person services?

- I would assume we will be gathering in some form **within a year**
- I am concern about the ability of churches to consistently maintain the standards necessary to create a safe environment
- Churches are already ignoring the social distancing and mask wearing standards required to stay safe. This can clearly be seen in the way singing and worship is conducted