

Connecting Questions

Relational - Tell me about your family. What do you love to do with them? what types of fun things have you done with friends? what's your neighborhood like? how have you spent time connecting with new people in your community? how do you create margin in your busy schedule? How are you leading your family? any new strains on your relationships that have surprised you? how is your marriage? how would you rate your marital health? how much significant time have you had with your spouse? what about your children? are you experiencing conflicts with any of your kids?

Personal - Give me a quick sketch of who are you, and I'll do the same for you. What's been your favorite place to live? Why? What do you excel at? What do you want more of in life? What do you want less of? How are you doing personally; not work, not in ministry, but just you as a person? what are some ways God has blessed you lately? Tell me a story from your life that would give me a picture of who you really are. What's an event that shaped you as a person? what do you like to do for fun? what are three issues you are facing in your life right now? If one burden could be removed from you today what would that be? Who has helped you become the person you are today? What have you done for fun this past month? Is it what you like to do? when do you feel the most free? how would you describe the "perfect day"? what are the best sources of joy in the relationships you have? - anything causing you worries these days? What obstacles have you encountered lately? What things do you miss from the past? are there things that you used to do but have stopped? what are you doing for exercise? how have you been sleeping? what causes you despair/arrogance/apathy? where is your heart in terms of those three things? What makes you laugh? What breaks your heart?

Ministry - What's your dream? If you could do anything with your life, what would it be? What are you passionately pursuing or longing for? what do you perceive as your calling? where are you prone to waste time in ministry? what opportunities for ministry/mission are present in your life? what types of outreach have you done recently? What is bringing you 80% of your joy as a leader? What is bringing you 80% of your stress? how have you been engaging the culture around you? What's an opportunity God seems to be holding out to you? what skills or talents has God given you? when have you had a significant impact on another person recently? in what ways are you making disciples?

Spiritual - What's going on inside you today? how would you rate your spiritual health? how's your devotional life? how is God saving you daily? what's giving you the most joy, what's weighing you down the most? what's boring to you? how is your heart spiritually? have you had much time in contemplation with God? Is prayer better or worse than it used to be? Why? How have you had to preach Christ to yourself this past month? What can I pray about for you? what have you been reading in the Bible lately? what have you been learning? how are you feeding your soul? where are you most vulnerable to sin? In what areas are you most likely to not believe God?