

Love and Respect
Conversation Guide Sheet
(Spiritual Version)

Conversation Questions

1. What did you think of the song? What was the overall message in the song?
2. What does the repeating line, "Before you love me, you gotta respect me," mean to you?
3. Why is respect so important in a relationship?
4. Are you in a relationship with someone? Does he or she respect you? How do you know?
5. Do you respect him or her? How do you show your respect?
6. What does the song mean when they sing in the hook, "If you with me, then you with me. And you're not with no one else. And if you want me then accept that I won't go for nothing else"?
7. Is this your standard, that you don't tolerate your guy or girl flirting and "messaging around" with another girl or guy? Why or why not? What would you do, if this happened?
8. What is the guy trying to get across to the girl in Verse 1? (A good relationship requires adjusting to each other, learning to trust each other and having good communication with each other.)
9. For the guys: Do you feel this same way as the guy in verse 1? Why or why not?
10. For the girls: Would you believe a guy, if they told you what the guy in verse 1 says? Why or why not?
11. What is verse 2 about? (preventing teen dating violence)
12. How can a person prevent getting violent with their girlfriend or boyfriend?
13. Have you been in an abusive relationship? Do you know of someone who has been in an abusive relationship? If a person is in this situation, what should they do?
14. What does God tell us about love and relationships? Lets read a few Bible verses and find out.

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Bible Verses

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. **5** It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. **6** Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. **7** It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. **8** Love never fails.

What is real love, according to these verses?

Ephesians 4:26-27

26 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, **27** and do not give the devil a foothold.

What should you do if you become angry with your boyfriend or girlfriend?

Ephesians 4:32

32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

How should a couple work through a conflict, like an argument?

Ephesians 5:21

21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

What does it mean to submit to someone else? What does this mean in a relationship?

1 Peter 3:7

7 Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

What are husbands told to do? What does it mean to be considerate?