

Intentional One-On-One Conversations

There is never any true “free time” if you are a small group leader at 180 weekend. Downtime during the weekend is a valuable opportunity for informal discipleship. Informal discipleship is when you speak into someone’s life through a very intentional conversation with them. Below are some questions that can help you get into the hearts of students throughout the weekend. There are two phases: life story and faith story. Through these intentional conversations, you can learn how to minister to a student more specifically and speak truth into difficult areas of their life.

• Life Story

- What grade are you in?
- Where do you go to school?
- Where are you from?
- How long have you lived in Gastonia?
- Tell me about your family. Relationships with siblings and parents?
- What do you want to do with your life?

• Faith Story

- How long have you gone to church?
- Did you grow up in church or in a Christian family?
- Are you a Christian? What does that mean to you?
- When did you become a Christian?
- How have you grown this past year?
- Any questions or struggles you’re having right now?

• Questions to be able to answer after the weekend:

- Based on this weekend, does this student appear to be a believer? (Y/N)
- Are they able to share their testimony/articulate the Gospel?
- What leads you to believe this based on this weekend?
- Did they make a profession of faith this weekend?
- Church Involvement?
- Are you a part of a small group at your church?
- Closest Friend(s) from the weekend?
- Mainly Christian or non-Christian friends in their life?
- Are there any specific struggles or difficulties in their life that we should be aware of?
- Additional Notes (spiritual, family, behavior)