



TELL *the* STORY

Family Interview

BEST USE

An activity for family members to discover one another's faith story.

VALUE

Helps family members learn more about the faith experience of a parent, a grandparent, a teen, or other relative.

ADVANCED PREP

Agree upon a time to get together in a place that will lend itself to sharing personal information regarding your story of faith. (Examples - Go to a coffee shop, favorite dessert place or on a long drive together.) Use the questions provided to interview your family member or take turns interviewing one another.

Interview Questions

TO ASK ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS

- How would you describe your own impression of Christianity growing up in your family? Good? Bad? A mix of both? Why?
- Did your family attend church when you were young?
- Was church a good experience for you? A bad experience? A mix of both? Why?
- About how old were you when you understood the concept of sin? Grace? Forgiveness? Salvation?
- Why did you decide to become a follower of Jesus?
- What do you recall about the time, place and circumstances of that decision?
- How would you explain what the church is all about in God's picture of salvation?
- If a person asked you how a person becomes a Christian, what would you say?

TO ASK A YOUNG PERSON/TEEN

- How do most of the young people your age and that you know perceive religion?
- How do they view Jesus Christ?
- How would you describe your own impression of Christianity growing up in this family? Good? Bad? A mix of both? Why?
- What is your understanding of the concept of sin? Grace? Forgiveness? Salvation?
- Have you made a decision to become a follower of Jesus Christ?
- If no, what has held you back?
- If yes, what do you recall about the time, place and circumstances of that decision?
- If a person asked you how a person becomes a Christian, what would you say?

If you have already become a Christian, consider taking the time to fill out the Tell Your Story card and spend time sharing your faith stories with each other.