



Are you tired of Small Talk

Description

Therefore if you have been raised with Christ [to a new life, sharing in His resurrection from the dead], keep seeking the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind and keep focused habitually on the things above [the heavenly things], not on things that are on the earth [which have only temporal value]. For you died [to this world], and your [new, real] life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. (Colossians 3:1-4, AMP)

This last week I was greatly blessed by a renewed friendship. A friend of mine that I met in college recently moved to town with her family. It has been 14 years since we've seen each other. Thanks to Facebook we have managed to somewhat stay in touch.

Our time together was super sweet. She shared with me how she described me to her husband when he asked who she was meeting up with. She said, "she was the girl on campus who always asked... 'what's God teaching you?'...she wanted a deep conversation and wasn't interested in chitchat." I'm not wording this exactly as Michelle worded it but her words greatly blessed me. She reminded me how important this question is and I love that she understood my reasoning behind asking it.

Somewhere along the lines I stopped asking this question. I can trace back to the moment that I stopped asking it. It was after I had a few bad experiences of people really not appreciating this question. I had a good solid 10 plus years with this question and the answers never ceased to amaze me. Every time the question led me into a sweet conversation with whoever I was talking to. Every time, I got to hear what God was doing and rejoice with my brother and/or sister in Christ. Every moment this question surfaced was a sweet moment to embrace as I got to celebrate in God's work.

Isn't this what we are supposed to do? Aren't we called to rejoice together because of God's work in our lives? And *when* the hard times come, are we not to stop and pray with each other? Superficial talk about the weather, sports, or what's on television doesn't really amount to much, does it? It's simply small talk! How can I grow in Christ unless I make Him the focus of every conversation?

This week, ask yourself "what is God teaching me?" Share the answer with someone and rejoice in

God's work. Let's deliberately make our conversations meaningful. Let's talk about things that matter. And when it comes to the things that grieve our hearts, let's pray and be a part of the solution. Let's bend our knees together before the maker of the universe and seek His face. Let's bring our cares and concerns to Him alone!

May our mouths be used to edify the body of Christ. May we look for opportunities to share about God's work in our lives. May our testimony be loud, our love be sweet, and our hearts be focused on what matters. Let's choose our moments wisely. Let's make our minutes count! Let's live for the King of Kings and make sure our days matter on this earth.

If you have a minute, please drop me a line and share with me what God is teaching you. I would love to hear all about it and rejoice in the goodness of God with you.

Dear Father God, Please help me dive deeper in the conversations I partake in. I want to talk about You and reflect on your goodness. May each of the words that proceed from my mouth honor you! May I spend more time rejoicing with people in conversation than murmuring or complaining. May my words be sweet and my tongue only be used to advance your purpose!

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