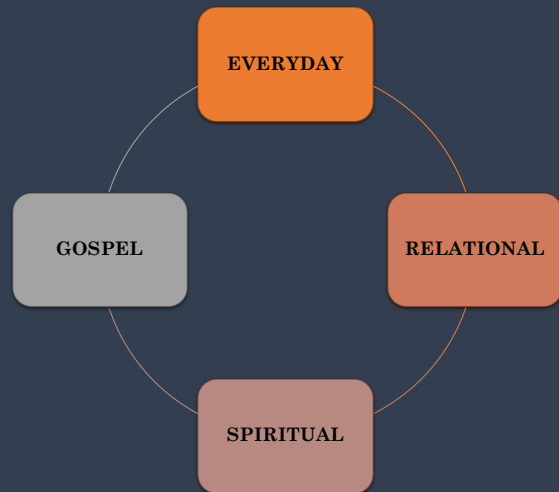


Liquid Church

20 August 2023

Deeper, Closer, Higher with people. "I see you"

CONVERSATIONS



Everyday – more than pleasantries of weather and hello. It is around commonalities, shared experiences, knowledge, interests, etc.

“The art of neighbouring”

Relational – when you actually continue from where you stopped the last time, working on something together (project, timetable, exercise routine)

Spiritual – conversations shifts into beliefs, attitudes, eternal stuff, health of their soul, Bible, prayer, gods and God

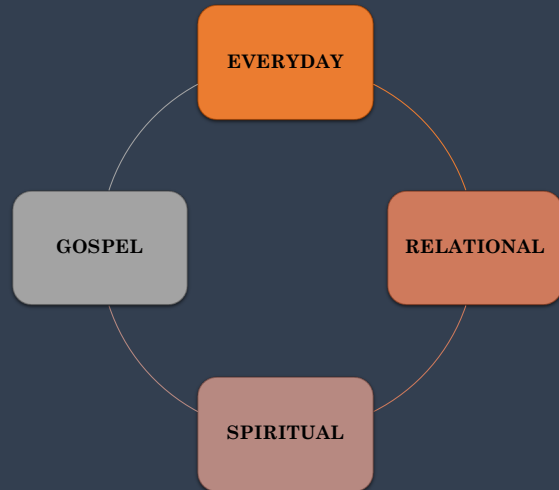
Gospel – 4 parts, or any parts of it, reading the Bible together.

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John 4:1-26, 39-42

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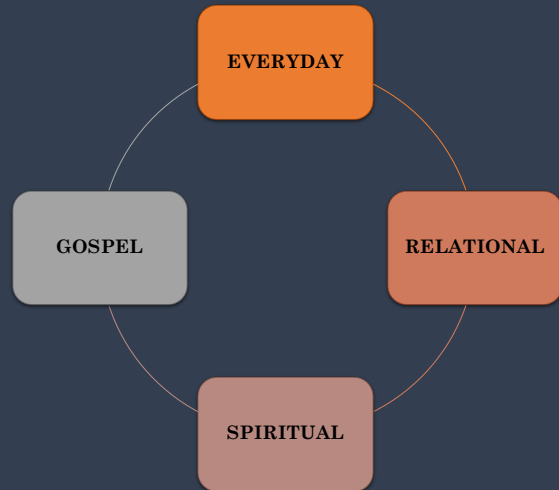
Activity – in triplets, identify the 4 conversations in this one dialogue.

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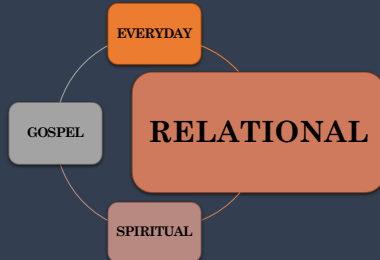


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- What was an everyday conversation you had with someone today?

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1. Listen Attentively (LCSA)

Listen actively
Clarify
Summarise
Ask to confirm

2. Share Feelings



What is your “a-ha”
about relational
conversation?

3. How can I help?



Role play (L-verbal and non verbal cues; C- questions S – what I am hearing you say is; A – am I right? Am I missing smthg?).

Empathy, identify with feelings. “Oh, wow, I am trying to put myself in your shoes, I would be feeling” something else there?

It is when you are helping that a relationship starts to form. Just being an available listener is often the help needed. Help is spelt “TIME”.

CONVERSATIONS



How many personal stories do you have?
Share one now.

May I ...

- A personal story? (*Testimony*)
*“There was once in my life when.....
And I was feeling like
And then I learnt that
And I began to feel
Can you relate to this?”*

How do you feel about that?

CONVERSATIONS



What is a good Bible passage relating to your testimony shared earlier?

May I ...

- A personal story? (*Testimony*)
- A Bible story? (*Discovery Bible Study*)

What does this story/reading show you about

- God*
- The world*
- You*

What is one thing I must do?

How do you feel about that?

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May I ...

- A personal story? (*Testimony*)
- A Bible story? (*Discovery Bible Study*)
- Pray for you? (+ *prophetic prayer*)
- Pray for your healing? (*simple & genuine*)
- Share a resource with you? (*e.g. book*)

How do you feel
about that?



From Alpha Leaders' Guidebook:

ALPHA WORKS WHEN IT IS:

Real When people speak about Jesus authentically, unreligiously, unapologetically, it's not always easy or straightforward but it is effective! Alpha is about authenticity.

Relational Alpha is about relationships. Ultimately, Alpha revolves around the small group and the friendships that are formed here. It's about a journey, taken together. Everything we do with Alpha is designed to create a welcoming atmosphere—the food, the arrangement of tables and chairs, the centerpieces, and, those welcoming guests to Alpha.

Reliant In Alpha, we are reliant on the Holy Spirit. Alpha doesn't change lives; it is the Holy Spirit working in people who changes lives **Reproducible** Alpha is a way for anybody to share their faith



What's one thing you must do?

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