

## **Honest Answers to Honest Questions: Responding to Questions in Conversation**

Many people have objections to the gospel but aren't yet willing to read a book or listen to a talk. How can we warmly and persuasively respond to their objections through conversation? We will see how to use questions to get people to question their own assumptions, think through their own reasoning and to lead them towards Jesus.

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1. Introduction
2. Be wise – why do people ask the questions they do?
3. Be questioning – answer questions with a question
  - A. It helps us
  - B. It helps others...
    - a) Asking questions forces to people to think through their assumptions
    - b) Asking questions helps ensure conversations
    - c) Asking questions ensures we define the issue
    - d) Asking questions exposes motive
    - e) Asking questions helps with the antagonistic

f) Asking questions intrigues the apathetic

g) Asking questions gets to the heart

4. Be honest – don't pretend you know when you don't

5. Be appropriate – don't answer big questions with small answers

6. Be biblical – not me vs. you

7. Be focussed on Jesus

8. Be gracious – manner not just method

9. Be positive

10. Be prayerful – arrow prayers