Conversation starters for Our Kingdom Life

These are examples of questions to ask a person. You would not use as a list to get through. It may be in a conversation with someone that one question takes you into a whole conversation. Go with your gut. Maybe you would pick out a few that you remember and can put in your toolkit and use at appropriate times.

BELOW THE SURFACE

Deeper spiritual life

How is life going for you below the surface? How is your spiritual life? How would your spouse describe your spiritual life? If satan is going to get you, where would he get you? Tell me about your personal involvement in the Word and prayer?

Deeper spiritual relationships

What has helped you in your spiritual growth?
What has made spiritual growth difficult?
Who do you admire? Why? What did they do?
Who has had an impact on your spiritual life? How?
Who is someone who fans the flame on your spiritual life (is discipling you)?
Who have you impacted positively in life, outside your family? In your family? How?
Who are you investing in (discipling)?

Deeper spiritual responsibility

How does the fact that you are responsible for your own spiritual growth impact you? What actions do you believe you have to take regards your spiritual growth? Who is praying for you in your discipleship journey? Action? Who or what can help you grow? What is a faith step you believe God is calling you to take? Tell me about your...

Which spiritual disciplines do you have in place in your life? Which need attention? (Spiritual Disciplines sermon series...go through list)

Are you able to go on the next Spiritual retreat?

ABOVE THE SURFACE

Body of Christ

How do you feel about church?
Have you been baptised? Tell me about it... or have you thought about it?
What courses or groups would help you to grow?
Are you a member of the LCC? What does that mean for you?
What is a 'next step' for you?
What are areas in your life where you are struggling?

How can we help you in that/ what we can we put in place to help there? Where do you need support? Are you involved in Prayer 365?

Kingdom steward and Kingdom service

How are you going financially?

How do you go with financial giving?

Where are you serving at the moment in the church? Outside?

Where would you love to serve? What are you passionate about? (SHAPE)

Do you have dreams that we can help you get going or bring to fruition?

What would help you to serve?

What is God asking you to lay on the altar?

Kingdom sower

Who would you love to see get saved?

What part are you playing in that? (Praying, get others to pray for them, share, invite) Tell me about any mission trips you have been on. Impact?

NOTE: Rather than just asking questions there are ways to help people (in a group setting or one on one) open up that are effective. Some of these could be used on a retreat. Some examples (there are many more) are:

Use the road signs sheet and ask;

pick one that describes something of your spiritual life at the moment. Or Which sign says something to you about your involvement in church? ministry?

You can use a box of Favourites chocolates, a pack of cards or other things to do similar.

Use the Wildcard idea to open up conversations.

Use the 'stand in a line' or 'on a scale of 1 – 10' idea ...

Have them draw or make (playdough): an unfulfilled dream or passion...leads to ministry discussion or their spiritual life at the moment etc

Have them do a timeline of their life, showing significant people, events, spiritual growth, challenges, ministries involved in etc