



CONVERSATIONS AT DIFFERENT AGES

The questions we ask and the depth of conversation will shift as our children grow. Here are some frameworks for different seasons:

ELEMENTARY (AGES 6-11):

- "Why do you think that's true?"
- "Where did you hear that? Is that person someone we trust?"
- "What would have to be true for that to make sense?"
- "The Bible says... How does that match up with what you just told me?"
- "Can people be good and believe different things? Why or why not?"

MIDDLE SCHOOL (AGES 12-14):

- "That's an interesting idea. Where did you get that idea?"
- "What evidence supports that idea?"
- "Who is saying this, and what do they have to gain if you believe it?"
- "How does that fit with what you know about God's character?"

HIGH SCHOOL (15-18):

- "Walk me through your thinking on this. What led you to that conclusion?"
 - "What worldview assumptions are underneath that belief?"
 - "Who benefits if people believe this? Who is harmed?"
 - "What would be evidence that you're wrong about this?"
- "How does this fit into a Christian worldview? Where does it align, and where does it conflict?"