

Interviewing an Adult Who Has a Personal Relationship with Jesus

Interview an adult (a person over age twenty-one) who has had a personal relationship with Jesus for at least five years, and write up your interview as a paper to turn in. **Make sure the adult knows that you may be sharing your interview responses with the class.**

Your paper should include the following elements:

- an introduction that introduces the person you interviewed and explains your relationship to that person, including how long you have known him or her
- several paragraphs that describe this person's relationship with Jesus, using the information you receive from the interview
- a conclusion in which you reflect on what you learned, what it means to you, and how it affects your perspective on Jesus

Use the following questions as your starting point for the interview. Ask follow-up questions of your own, for clarification and depth, as you learn more from the person you are interviewing. Expect to ask three to five additional questions.

- How long have you had a personal relationship with Jesus?
- How do you explain what a personal relationship with Jesus is?
- What does your personal relationship with Jesus mean to you?
- How did the relationship begin?
- How has the relationship evolved?
- How do you maintain the relationship?
- How do you understand the reason for evil and suffering in the world? How does your relationship with Jesus help you to make sense of suffering?

