



DISCUSSION GUIDE—LOVE AND DATING

1. It can be awkward talking about dating relationships with other people. If you were thinking about starting or stopping a dating relationship, would you talk to anyone first? If so, what sort of perspective do they have on love and dating?
2. What are the benefits of being single?
3. When learning what you should and shouldn't do with someone while dating, what is the difference between asking "is this sinning" and "is this loving"?
4. On a scale of 1 to 10, how much do you need to hear other people affirm who you are? 1 means not at all. 10 means all the time. Follow up question: How might both ends of that spectrum affect your approach towards dating or other relationships?
5. What is the difference between being known and being noticed? Why do people often set "being noticed" as the goal?
6. Just because you start dating doesn't mean your other friends go away. Why is it good to preserve your other friendships, and how can you do that? Is it wise to preserve friendships with people of the opposite gender?
7. What role do you think physical attraction plays in dating? Follow-up question: Agree or disagree: You don't need to find someone physically attractive in order to date them.
8. It can be awkward when many of your friends start to date, but you don't. What encouragement would you give to someone who is feeling unready to date or unwanted by others?