

## Understanding why is an important part of growth

Iron Pillars Youth Ministry

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### Various Passages:

**Matthew 6:33** - But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

**Matthew 7:7-8** - Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

### Digging Deeper:

1. Try to answer why. Leaders will use the other paper to ask some why questions. Feel free to come up with others.
2. Why is it important to know what you believe and why you believe it?
3. Take a couple of lessons for example (spiritual disciplines, tithing, communion, baptism, following God’s commands). If one of your friends asked you why you do some of those things what would you say?
4. Which of the lessons that we covered this school year stood out to you the most? Why?
5. Which of the lessons do you need the most help putting into practice? Its one thing to know about something, its another thing to be able to do it.
6. As you grow in your knowledge of the Lord (who He is and what He wants from you), you will have questions. When you do have questions, what should you do?

### Verse of the Year

1 Peter 3:15

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.”

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### Relevant Questions

- Why do we take communion?
- Why do we take offerings?
- Why do we do baptisms?
- Why do we read the Bible?
- Why do we pray?
- Why should I follow God's commands?
- Why should I seek and do God's will?
- Why should I follow my spiritual leaders?
- Why do we tell others about Jesus?

“You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ~John 8:31-32~