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When you get to know someone and begin the process of 1-1 discipleship, it is important to talk about all the areas of life that impact their faith in Christ. As a general rule, this acronym can help us think through covering our bases and making sure “no stone is uncovered” as we begin the important work of getting to know someone, share our life with them in many ways, and help be a channel that disciplines them to Christ. Here are just a few great questions in these categories as examples

Family:

Tell me about your family. (parents/guardians and siblings)

What was it like growing up in your home?

Who would you say you're the closest to in your family and why?

What is one of your favorite memories with your family and why?

What's the latest with your parents and family, how are things going?

What is God teaching you about your family as far as patterns of health that you want to continue to emulate, and places where there is a lack of health and patterns you do not want to emulate?

What is God teaching you about forgiveness? Is there anyone in your family this year you want to work to begin the healing process with and you need to forgive?

Academics:

Why did you choose Virginia Tech? What led you here?

What's your major? Why did you choose this?

What will it require of you to be able to stay a part of this school and continue with your program of choice?

How will you push yourself to continue to stay in community with hard academics? How is that going right now? What needs to change in your schedule so you can have a healthy balance of both?

What was high school like for you academically? What was your favorite subject?

How can I and your Life Group help you succeed in your major this year?

What are some new skills you might need to develop and grow in order to maintain a solid GPA? How important is a solid GPA to what you think may be next for you?

What is God teaching you about self-discipline when it comes to academics?

What is God teaching you about authority and praise and approval of man when it comes to your professors?

Relationships:

Describe your best friend. Where and what are they doing now?

How did you become so close?

What do you feel like it will take to remain close with this friend?

Who would you say you connected with the most so far at Tech? Why do you think you connect with them so well?

Who are your roommates and how do you feel they will have a positive or potentially negative impact on you? How will you fight to lead them and love them well this semester?

Ministry:

How would you describe your spiritual journey (if you already heard this in Life Group, it would still be great to ask them to elaborate or share again)?

Who has been the most influential person in your life thus far and why?

What do you feel like God has been teaching you since the semester started?

We will meet a few times 1-1 this semester, what would you like to cover in these times or learn spiritually? What is one thing you would like to grow in by the end of this semester?

How are things going with your relationship with Christ? How is abiding going? How can we prioritize that in your schedule? What is working and not working right now?