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DOING IN YOUR LIFE
RIGHT NOW?

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Jesus certainly did both in His lifetime. There were times He talked TO crowds. But when Jesus really wanted to make a point with His friends and to connect with them, He talked WITH them. He asked questions and really focused when they gave Him answers. He

offered up His own answers when they asked Him questions.

In fact, in Matthew 16:13-20, we read about a time when Jesus talked with His disciples about something incredibly important: who they thought He was. And how did He start that conversation? With a question.

Today, find a friend you know who also believes in God, and talk WITH them. Maybe you could even share a snack or go for a walk. As you talk, ask them this question: "What is God doing in your life right now?" Then listen and really focus on what they have to say. Talk with them about what God is doing in your life, too!

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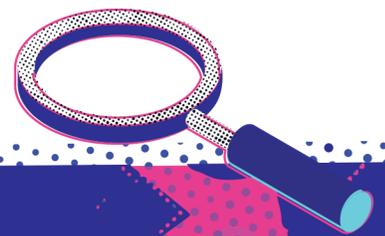
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