

(INSTRUCTIONS for class: take turns, each person reading one paragraph or question. Then each person select one of the numbered questions to answer, and for the group to discuss.)

### **Famous People**

Have you ever wanted to go back in time to the past and meet some famous person? Perhaps there is a political or military leader, philosopher or author, or other influential person who lived long ago (1000 B.C, 1500 A.D. or ???) that interests you.

1. Who would you like to meet from the past?
2. Perhaps there is a famous person who is now living that you would like to meet. Who is it and why?
3. Tell your conversation partners about at least 2 (or 10 or 20!) famous people that you are interested in. :Explain why you find them interesting.
4. What kinds of questions would you ask these famous people if you could meet them now?
5. If you could trade places with a famous person for a year, which one would you choose and why?
6. What famous person would you not want to trade places with – and why not?
7. Some ordinary people would like very much to be famous. Do you think it is a good goal to try to become famous? What do you think that you might be famous for?
8. What are the pros and cons of (advantages and disadvantages, or, reasons for and reasons against) being famous? What are the pros and cons of trying to become famous?
9. Can you name some of the famous people in the Bible? Some names which many Americans know are: Jesus Christ, Moses, Abraham, Daniel, David, Noah, Mary and Paul – are these people famous in your native country?

Here is a conversation between Jesus and some of his students:

Jesus asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?”

But they kept quiet. On the way, they had argued about which one of them was the most important person.

Then he said,

“If you want to be first, you must be the very last. You must be the servant of everyone.” Mark 9:33-35

QUESTION:

10. What do you think of Jesus’ way of becoming important?