

Documentary Interview Questions

Preface Notes:

1. It's not necessary to share the titles for each of these sections. That might cause a little confusion if they don't understand The Hero's Journey.
2. You know your ministry and culture best. If these questions use "Western" language that will not translate well in your particular context, please feel free to make adjustments to the questions to fit your ministries context. This should serve only as a guide.

Intro

- a. What is the best way to communicate?
- b. Are you willing to share your story with our donors?

1. Establish the Character

1. What is your name?
2. Where do you live?
3. What was life like for you growing up?
4. Was your Father around growing up?
5. Was your Mother around growing up?
6. What was life like where you grew up?
7. How did you spend your time?
8. What were the best parts about your childhood?
9. What were some hard parts about your childhood?

2. The Problem or Need (Something isn't right)

1. When did you first start experiencing or first realize God's pursuit of your heart?
2. When did you start realizing something was missing in your life?
3. When did you realize your need for a savior?

*** These questions will be specific to the beneficiaries story, so this is clearly not an exhaustive list. The goal is to reveal the hardships, difficulties, challenges, and pain points of the characters story. What was the conflict like and how did it make them feel? These questions can be extremely difficult to answer for the subject. Handle with care, this is why we ask permission.**

3. Character Meets a Mentor Who Call Them to Adventure(Your Brand)

1. What did you meet (MINISTRY NAME HERE)?
2. How long have you worked with (MINISTRY NAME HERE)?
3. How has (MINISTRY NAME HERE) come alongside you in your time of need?
4. What difference have you seen in your life since meeting (MINISTRY NAME HERE)?
5. How did (MINISTRY NAME HERE) engage with you during your time of difficulty?
6. Did you feel (MINISTRY NAME HERE) called you to something more for your life than what you were experiencing?

4. Go (Crossing the Threshold)

1. Can you share your testimony?
2. When was the first time you heard about Jesus?
3. What has Christ saved you from?
4. What did Christ save you into?
5. How has your life changed since submitting your life to Jesus?
6. Can you share how (MINISTRY NAME HERE) had an impact in that life transformation?
7. When did you first hear about (MINISTRY NAME HERE)?
8. Can you describe what your first year with (MINISTRY NAME HERE) was like?
9. How has (MINISTRY NAME HERE) come alongside you to disciple you and encourage you towards a deeper relationship with Christ?

5. Search, Find, Take (Special World)

1. What struggles have you run into since becoming a follower of Jesus?
2. What sacrifices have you had to make since becoming a Christian?
3. How has the Lord shaped and molded you since becoming a Christian?
4. Have there been any experiences or trials since saying yes to Jesus that have been difficult, but that ultimately made your faith in Christ stronger?
5. What have you learned about yourself or what has God revealed to you about yourself since saying yes to Jesus? How has He used that new knowledge to make you more like Jesus?

6. Return & Change

1. How has your faith in Christ changed your life?
2. What is different about your life now than before Christ?
3. How have the things you've learned or the things God has revealed to you about yourself affected your relationship with others?
4. How have the things you've learned or the things God has revealed to you about yourself affected your ministry.
5. How has your relationship with Jesus helped you walk in your identity and fulfill His call on your life to love God, love others, and make disciples?
6. How has your life change in Jesus affected the man or woman you have become.
7. Where do you feel the Lord is taking or leading you?
8. What are you excited about in regards to what God is doing through you?