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**Show Notes for the 5-minute audio show at OverflowShow.com titled:
Journey Alongside A Friend**

(Taken from the resource series called COJOURNERS, by Keith Davy, available from CoJourners.com).

One way to impact your non-Christian friend is to journey along beside him in life. He's on a spiritual journey. You're on a spiritual journey.

Cojourners reminds us that we were all created as spiritual beings so all humans are either moving toward God, or moving away from God, or are stuck in one place temporarily.

Life circumstances and events, and how people react to them, cause EVERYONE to be on a journey. Your non-Christian friend might look like life is all good right now, but you can rest assured...something in his life is bumping up against him, or frustrating him, or disappointing him, or causing him to feel emptiness. That causes him to be on a journey.

The question is...will you be joining him on his journey, as you also journey...as you also deal with your very imperfect and sometimes frustrating life? Perhaps you two could walk along together and talk about it as you walk your paths!

Your non-Christian friend can feel so much more comfortable with you when he picks up on this vibe of "Hey, my Christian friend really kind of walks through life with me."

Keith Davy says that there are 4 roles we might play, usually one at a time, as we journey along beside our friend. Those 4 roles are

First – An Explorer – As an explorer, you ask great questions that lead to great conversations that help you understand your friend.

Second – A Guide – That’s where you then show the way toward faith in Christ.

Third – A Builder – At this point you’re building bridges over the obstacles that keep your friend from embracing faith in Christ.

Fourth role of a CoJourneyer – Mentor – This is where you help your friend grow in Christ.

This episode of Overflow focuses on the first role...being an EXPLORER.

The two main things an explorer does are ask questions.....and LISTEN.

People like to be sincerely asked questions. Keith Davy says, “[Questions](#) are the power tool that helps the [Explorer](#) discover where your friend has been spiritually, where he is presently, and where he’s going.”

Think of these questions in 3 categories: Where your friend’s BEEN. Where he is NOW. Where he’s GOING.

(For a much longer list of questions, go to CoJourneyers.com, click on Training, then click on Student Notes and scroll down).

1) Questions for your friend to explore where he’s BEEN:

What was your religious background as a child?

Was your experience positive, negative, or neutral?

What is the most valuable thing your background gave you?

Have you ever been burned or turned off by religious people?

Who has had the greatest impact on your life spiritually?

2) Questions to explore where your friend is NOW.

Are you satisfied with where you are at or do you desire more?

What would you say is most important to you in life right now?

What have you tried in your spiritual journey?

What has your search left you feeling?

If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

3) Questions for your friend to explore where he's GOING.

Do you find yourself moving toward God, away from God or staying about the same?

What do you think happens after death?

If you were to die tonight, how sure are you that you would enjoy eternal life?

If a friend asked you how one becomes a Christian, what would you tell them?

Keith Davy says that your friend's answers "will often provide windows to their soul...and sometimes show unmet needs in their life."

OverflowShow.com gives a 20 thumbs up recommendation for this extensive and deep resource series called COJOURNERS, by Keith Davy, available from CoJourners.com

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