

4th-5th Grade Survey Results

The following are questions and responses from an anonymous survey with 4th and 5th grade students. Usually this is the age when students begin to deal with self-worth issues and the beginning point for some of the trials/temptations they will face as youth. Their responses are typical but revealing about where our preteens are...and, as children, you can't help but to love their honesty. Not all of the responses or questions are listed, just some of the more interesting ones.

Question: If you could change anything about yourself, what would it be?

Answers: Thoughts, my face, my life, how I act, my weight, my eyes and hair, to be a little taller, not being myself, my dog, I would like to be nicer to my brother and sister, selfish—I wanted to steal money, nothing, I'd be older, I would be skinny like I was when I was a baby, I don't know, to be an overall better person, I would change the way I think when this girl talks to me, that I would be able to go on a mission trip to Africa, the sin in my life, that I would be able to go to this church on Sundays too.

Question: What is your greatest fear?

My greatest fear is getting in trouble by my teacher; knowing that my friends will die and go to hell; bears, dark, bad people; death; darkness and my sister; nuclear bomb; somebody rob my house; being around the guy I like; being killed; boys;

Question: Are there any questions you would like us to talk about this semester?

If my life could be better; why is there war; how to start a conversation with Jesus to your friends; why did God make me like I am; can the rapture happen now; where did God come from; how to lead friends to Christ cuz my sister is not helping; have you ever seen someone die; why kids like me can't go on mission trips to far away places.