5 Questions to Ask Your Family Tonight

A simple conversation today can make things much easier tomorrow.

You do not have to organize your whole life tonight. Sit down with someone you love and start with these five questions. There are no perfect answers - the goal is simply to help each other know where to begin.

1 If something happened to me tomorrow, who would you need to contact first?

Think about close family, friends, doctors, an employer, pastor, attorney, accountant, or anyone else who might need to know.

2 Would you know where to find my important papers?

You do not need copies of everything today. Start by knowing where important records, insurance information, property documents, and other essential papers are kept.

3 Would you know how the household money works?

Which bank do we use? Which bills are automatic? Which ones need attention? Where would you look for the information if I could not explain it?

4 What everyday responsibilities would someone need to take over?

Think about pets, the house, appointments, mail, property, business responsibilities, seasonal tasks, and the little things one person normally handles.

5 If I could not speak for myself, what would I want you to know?

This might include thoughts about care, family, possessions, traditions, pets, or simply the things that matter most to you.

You don't need to know everything. You just need to know where to begin.

Want to keep the conversation going? *If Something Happened Tomorrow: 10 Simple Conversations Every Family Should Have* is a practical workbook for helping families share what could someday matter.

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