Introductory Questions

1. What's your story?
2. What absolutely excites you right now?
3. What's the most important thing I should know about you?
4. What human emotion do you fear the most?
5. If you could do anything you wanted tonight (anywhere, for any amount of money), what would you do and why?
6. If you could know the absolute and total truth to one question, what question would you ask?
7. When's the last time you failed spectacularly at something?
8. What do you value more, intelligence or common sense?
9. What is the greatest lesson you have learned from one of your enemies?
10. If you did not sleep, how would you spend the extra eight hours a day?
11. If you had to pick the character from any book, movie, or TV show who is most similar to you, whom would you choose? Why?
12. How different is your job today from what you wanted to do as a kid?

More focused theology questions
Questions from Always Be Ready:

13. Do you have faith questions you’ve never gotten good answers to?
14. What’s one of the hardest things in the Bible for you to believe?
15. Where in your life do you find it most difficult to believe in God?
16. What do you think the world would be like if more people were Christians?
17. What do you find most annoying about Christians you have met?
18. What do you find most admirable about Christians you have met?
19. Assuming God does exist, what are two questions you would like to ask Him?

From Krista Bontrager’s “Thinking Like A Missionary” talk:

20. What do you think about Christians?
21. What do you wish Christians understood better about you?
22. What is the thing that keeps you from becoming a Christian?

One reason for these deeper kinds of questions:
Surface-level small talk does not build relationships
Easy Intro Questions:
23. What do you like about your job?
24. What do you do for fun?
25. Where do you like to go and to get away?
26. Where are you from? What’s it like there?
27. In politics, do you lean left or right?
28. What movies [or TV shows, videos, etc.] have you seen lately [or books read]?
29. Tell me about your family
30. Where do you live? Do you like living there?

More In-Depth Questions:
31. For what in your life do you feel most grateful?
32. If you could change anything about the way you were raised, what would it be?
33. Is there something you’ve dreamed of doing for a long time? Why haven’t you done it?
34. What is your greatest accomplishment in life?
35. If you were going to become a close friend with your partner, please share what would be important for him or her to know.
36. If you were to die this evening, what would you most regret not having told someone? Why haven’t you told them yet?
37. If your house caught fire and your pets and loved ones were not inside, but you had time to safely dash to save any one item, what would that item be? Why?
38. What hobby would you get into if time and money weren’t an issue?
39. What fictional place would you most like to go?
40. When was the last time you changed your opinion or belief about something major?
41. What do you wish you knew more about?
42. If you were put into cryogenic freeze for 100 years, what would your first question be after waking up?
43. If you could make one rule everyone had to follow, what would it be?
44. What do you take for granted?
45. What have you only recently formed an opinion about?
46. Are you interested in what most people haven’t heard of?
47. What makes a good life?
48. When people look at you, what do you think they see or think?
49. Are you content with your place in life?
50. [If a family member is ill or having problem, ask] “Does that person have a religious faith to help them through that?