

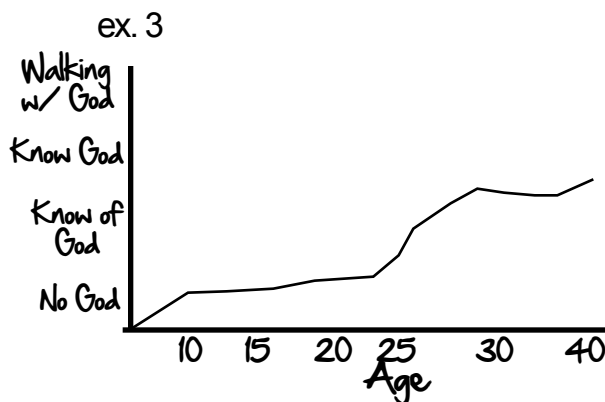
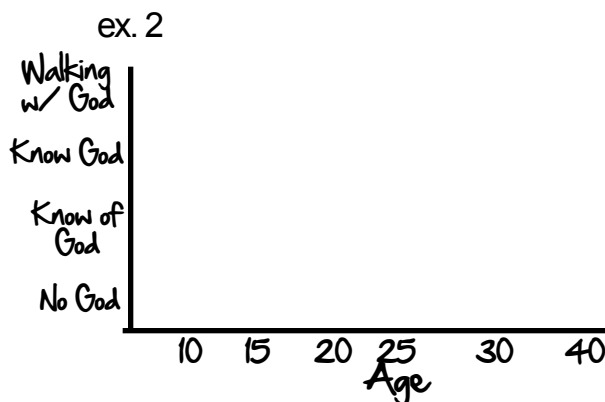
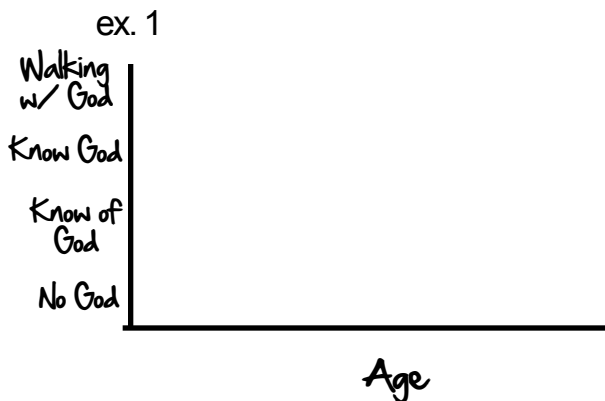
Story Graph Exercise

Supplies: Pen & Standard Index Card

Time: 20 minutes

Creating Your Story Graph

1. Pass out the standard index card and pen to each person in the group. Have everyone put their name on the card and draw a vertical and a horizontal line to make an X and a Y axis.
2. Label the X-axis 'Age' and the Y-axis 'No God', 'Know of God', 'Know God' & 'Walking with God'. [See ex. 1.]
3. Across the X-axis, have people start at '0' and end the line with their current age. Use 5 or 10 year increments [See ex. 2.]
4. Have everyone plot out where they would fall at each of the ages they've listed. [See ex. 3.] Tell them to think about what went on as a child, in college, their first job, etc. Who was influential in their life? No right or wrong answer here. This is their story.



Sharing Your Story

When everyone is finished, use your graph to share your story first. This sets the example and gives people more ideas of what to include. Go around the group and have everyone share their story. The beauty of this exercise is how everyone gets a prop and sharing our story becomes non-threatening. It also lets the group see more about people's creativity. Or lack thereof.