



TO COMMUNITY

Session: Where Do You Stand?

Session Aim: To discuss how faith informs our decisions

| Time | Activity |
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| 00 | Welcome and Introductions Go around and introduce yourselves (name an interesting fact!) |
| 05 | Icebreaker (Please see Icebreaker booklet) |
| 20 | Introduction to the Session The fruits of the spirit are effective in our lives. But how can we show this to our young people? One way is to show how they will be faced with increasingly difficult decisions as they get older and how they respond to these challenges can define who they are and the type of person they are going to be. We can ensure we make good decisions and so be a good person by allowing our faith to guide us. This session will open up how faith can inform our decisions. |
| 25 | Agree or Disagree? Place four cards in different corners of the room: agree, disagree, not sure, don't care. Read statements such as the following and ask the young people to move to their response <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homework should be banned• Footballers get paid too much• Marmite should be banned• Taking performance enhancing drugs in sport is not cheating• We live in a just society |



- Praying makes a difference
- God loves me
- War is never justified
- Euthanasia should be legalised

When at the corners ask a few people to explain why they are there and try to get some form of debate going.

The statements should always start with some lighter questions to break the ice but then can move onto deeper questions or can stay light and the game be used as an introduction to a longer discussion on how we make choices by showing how difficult it is to even make simple choices such as those we just saw.

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Group Discussion

Split into smaller groups.

Give each group one scenario and ask them to answer it and feedback to the larger group or set two groups up against each other and have them debate.

Examples:

You are a lawyer and know your client is guilty, but you have been asked to get him acquitted. What do you do?

Your child wants to go away overnight with a group of friends you don't know. What do you do?

You are in the army and you are asked to go to war, but you do not think the reason for the war is strong enough. What do you do?

You are mates with someone who wants to do something dangerous. What do you do?

You are in the police and are asked to move some teenagers from a street corner where they are doing nothing wrong, but the householders are nervous. What do you do?

You want a new pair of trainers and see someone drop their wallet full of cash. You can easily keep the wallet and buy the shoes and no one will know, or you can give the money back. What do you do?

Your mate has been going out with someone for six months, but you have only just met that person at a party. You realise you are getting on well with them and they suggest meeting up on your own the next day. What do you do?

You have a big test coming up and go into a class at lunch and see the exam on the



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| | teacher's desk. You know no-one is around so you can get a quick look/photo without being caught. What do you do? |
| 55 | <p>Explanation</p> <p>Our faith can guide us to make the right decisions. It can be hard to know what to do and we are often tempted to do the wrong thing even when we know it is wrong.</p> <p>Our faith can help us make the right decision, and praying can help us overcome temptation.</p> <p>Confirmation is a big help as it gives us even more strength to overcome the temptations of life.</p> |
| 1.00 | Final Prayer (Please see attached booklet) |