Young Fundamentalists’ Beliefs and Personal Life Survey Findings

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Letter from the Survey Author

This survey began as a burden of mine about three years ago. As a young fundamentalist, I had heard many discussions from all generations about the present and future state of the movement that is known as fundamentalism. Discussions can only be profitable however if someone has the facts. For instance, I’ve heard many times that “we’re losing all of the young men from the movement.” The survey actually debunked that idea showing that only about 25% of the younger generation feel that way. It’s still a cause for concern, but not as much as “all.”

To give you some background, about two years ago I wrote an article that summed up my thoughts on what the younger generation of fundamentalism felt and thought. I received hundreds of responses from fundamentalists young and old, some agreeing and some disagreeing with my observations. We were struggling with even agreeing on a diagnosis, let alone a cure. It was like ten men looking at an elephant and one saying it was a zebra, another saying it was a tiger, another saying it was a horse and on and on. Discussions are fruitless unless one can validate the identity of the animal as an elephant. It became obvious to me that a profitable exercise would be to help “identify the elephant” so to speak. I felt a statistical analysis of the younger generation of fundamentalists would be very helpful as it would provide a baseline for discussions.

In November of 2004, Dr. Dave Burggraff called me and asked me to present my thoughts on fundamentalism at the National Leadership Conference as well as a few workshops on hot-button topics. I told him that a hot-button with me was a quantifiable survey. He said, “You write it and do it and I’ll give you the last general session at the conference to share the results.” I knew a quality survey would take more skill than what I had so I called Jerry Thacker of Right Ideas. Incidentally, about four years earlier, I had shared this same burden with him at a restaurant after he spoke in my church. Jerry volunteered all of his resources to make it work and the project was on.

I wrote the survey, although I had input from various people, young and old. It is a long survey but I do not intend on doing another one for a very long time. I wanted it to be exhaustive. I also endeavored to have a tool upon completion that would be profitable to all ministries including colleges, camps, seminaries, churches, mission boards, etc. I hope this is a help to many of you in your ministries.

I warn you that there is probably information in here to make everyone glad, mad, and even sad. Hopefully, though, the information will be helpful to you as you plan on ministering to this group of people. Jerry Thacker told me throughout the whole survey process, “What should be probably should be, but what is, is.” We would all like to have ministries that were filled with people who loved God with all their heart, soul, and mind, had little problems, and agreed on doctrine and philosophy. That is simply not the case. However, we have many godly leaders in fundamentalism. I trust that these men and women will study the results and provoke a generation to love and good works.

Jason Janz
Survey Summary

Survey Team

Dr. David Burggraaff, President of Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary, coordinated the survey with various colleges and seminaries, advised on the content of the survey, and contributed to the questions.

Jason Janz, Assistant Pastor of South Sheridan Baptist Church, wrote the survey, tested it, and worked on a presentation of the results for the Calvary Leadership Conference.

Jerry Thacker, President of Right Ideas, and his staff edited the survey, made it available online, and compiled the results.

Survey Methodology

The survey was done entirely online and was conducted from January 21, 2005 until February 14, 2005. It was promoted through the leadership in the various institutions, alumni associations, and word of mouth. No incentive was offered. The survey was designed for Christian college students and their graduates under the age of 35.

Survey Questions

The survey contains 105 questions on topics related to personal life and beliefs. The survey results have been kept and are laid out for cross-tabulation which makes it a valuable tool for future research. Also, the survey used Leichert scales which allows for the gauging of a particular response. It also allows one to gauge one variable over another. Leichert scales collect much more information from a question than what seems to be apparent. The survey also used questions that were a forced choice. These questions were designed to create internal dissonance and forced the individual to make the best choice possible. A good example of these questions are the Calvinism/Arminianism questions.

Summary

Over 1100 surveys were completed and compiled. Survey research indicates that an accurate sampling can be done with as little as a few hundred responses. Also, the survey was long (it took the average person an hour to take it) and helped to eliminate those who were not serious about providing input. The results you see here are the “cold facts.” The results have not been interpreted. Perhaps there will be a venue for that in the future.

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Demographics:

Question 1: How old are you?
- 18-21: 30% (334)
- 22-26: 35% (388)
- 27-35: 35% (399)

Question 2: Gender
- Male: 68% (759)
- Female: 32% (350)

Question 3: Where are you in your career?
- Undergraduate Education: 37% (467)
- Graduate Education: 22% (287)
- Full-time or part-time ministry: 29% (373)
- Full-time secular employment: 12% (153)
Question 4: Where were you educated during the majority of your junior and senior high years?
- Home school: (186)
- Christian school: (645)
- Public school: (304)

Question 5: Which educational institutions have you attended?
- I currently attend here.

Institutional Pie Chart:
- Bob Jones University
- Pillsbury Baptist Bible College
- Appalachian Bible College
- Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary
- Central East Baptist Theological Seminary
- Calvary Bible College & Theological Seminary
- Faith Baptist Bible College & Theological Seminary
- Pensacola Christian College
- Puerto Rico Baptist College
- Tennessee Temple University
- Virginia Baptist College
- Northland Baptist Bible College
- Maranatha Baptist Bible College
- International Baptist College
- Central Baptist Theological Seminary
- Detroit Baptist Theological Seminary
- Clearwater Christian College
- Heart of America Seminary & Bible College
- Piedmont Baptist College
- Temple Baptist College
- Trinity Baptist College
Question 5 (continued):

- I went to some college here.

![Pie chart showing college attendance frequencies. Each slice represents a different college with varying percentages.]
Question 5 (continued):

- I graduated from here.
Question 6: What is (was) your main area of study?
- Fine Arts: 11.5% (121)
- Business: 8.3% (87)
- Arts and Science: 10.7% (112)
- Education: 15.4% (162)
- Biblical studies (pastoral, missions, counseling, etc.): 47.4% (498)
- Other: 6.8% (71)

Question 7: How old were you when you were saved?
- Under the age of 12: 67.6% (700)
- 12-18: 21.4% (222)
- 19+: 10.9% (113)
Question 8: Describe the home in which you were reared  Check all that apply.

- Neither of my parents were Christians.
- The people that reared me were exemplary believers.
- My parents were Christians.
- Only one of my parents was a Christian.
- One of my parents left before I was 18.
- One of my parents was a step-parent.
- I was reared by my birthmother and birthfather the entire time I lived at home.
- The people that reared me were believers, but not good examples.
Question 9: Describe your relationship with your father and mother.

Father

- Excellent: 52%
- Good: 31%
- Fair: 2%
- Poor: 9%
- Terrible: 4%
- Parent is deceased: 2%

Mother

- Excellent: 58%
- Good: 33%
- Fair: 1%
- Poor: 6%
- Terrible: 1%
- Parent is deceased: 2%

Stepfather (if applicable)

- Excellent: 15%
- Good: 27%
- Fair: 15%
- Poor: 5%
- Terrible: 15%
- Parent is deceased: 5%
Your Home Church

If you are in college or seminary, this would be the church you attend when at home. If you are out of school, it would be the church you currently attend.

Question 10: What is the average attendance on Sunday morning?

- Under 50: 17.1% (176)
- 50-100: 14.5% (150)
- 101-150: 13.4% (138)
- 151-200: 10.2% (105)
- 201-300: 11.8% (122)
- 301-500: 10.0% (103)
- 501-750: 9.2% (95)
- 751-1000: 7.9% (82)
- 1001+: 5.9% (61)
Question 11: Describe the Sunday morning music in your home church. Check all that apply.

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Focused: 563
Alive: 364
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Man-centered: 95
Creative: 276
Vibrant: 305
Traditional: 769
Worshippers are engaged: 463
Contemporary: 152
Formal: 390
Unemotional: 225
Refreshing: 445
God-centered: 732
Emotional: 170
The same old thing: 238
Dead: 185
Planned and organized: 646
Question 12: Describe the preaching in your home church. Check all that apply*.

*Respondents were given an “Other” option where they could provide an answer. These responses can be found in Appendix A.
Question 13: Do you believe your pastor’s preaching is typical or representative of fundamental preaching?
- Yes: 59.3%(606)
- No: 40.7%(416)

Question 14: If you could change one thing about the preaching at your church, what would you change?

This graph is a compilation of the six most frequent responses. The actual responses can be found in Appendix B.
Question 15: Were you ever formally discipled by another believer?
- Yes: 28.8% (286)
- No: 71.2% (708)

Question 16: Describe the current attendance trend in your home church.
- Growing by mostly transfers from other churches: 45% (457)
- Growing by mostly reaching the lost: 28% (286)
- Plateaued: 21% (218)
- Declining: 6% (62)
Question 17: Choose which statement best indicates your belief about the Bible.

- The Bible is the inspired Word of God, not mistaken in its statements and teachings, and is to be taken literally, word for word. (83%)
- The Bible is the inspired Word of God, not mistaken in its teachings, but is not always to be taken literally in its statements concerning matters of science, historical reporting, etc. (12%)
- The Bible becomes the Word of God for a person when he reads it by faith. (5%)
Question 18: Check all statements that resemble your beliefs about the King James Version Issue.

The KJV is the only inspired translation of the Bible. 51

I will use a version other than KJV in my ministry. 9%

I grew up in a church that used the KJV. 1%

The KJV is the best Bible translation available today. 1%

I grew up in a church that used a version other than the KJV. 2%

The KJV has mistakes in the translation. 9%

The original manuscripts are the only manuscripts that were without error. All translations have some errors in them. 11%

To say that Bible translations have mistakes in them will destroy people's faith in their Bible. 1%

God inspired, preserved and protected the translation of the KJV. 2%

Study of Greek and Hebrew is extremely profitable in understanding the meaning of Scripture. 13%

Study of Greek and Hebrew is not necessary to understand the true meaning of the text. 4%

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We should separate from "KJV-only" organizations/ ministries. 74

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Bible version preferences are not separation issues. 664

I have read books on both sides of this issue. 510

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Question 19: The best representation of the Greek New Testament is found in which Greek body of texts?
- Majority text: 13.7% (150)
- Textus Receptus: 31.0% (340)
- Eclectic: 8.0% (88)
- Westcott-Hort: 3.4% (37)
- UBS: 10.0% (110)
- I’m unsure.: 33.9% (372)

Question 20: What statement best describes your belief about Hell?
- I do not believe in eternal Hell. Annihilation would better describe my beliefs. 11%
- Hell is a literal place and eternal in duration. 87%
- The NT torment language of Hell is figurative. Hell is simply separation from God, not a place of fire. 2%
Question 21: Which statement most closely describes your view of depravity?

- 42%: Man has not been left in a state of complete spiritual helplessness. Each sinner possesses a free will, and his eternal destiny depends on how he uses it. The sinner has the power either to cooperate with God's Spirit and be regenerated or to resist God.
- 4%: The sinner is dead, blind, and deaf to the things of God; his heart is sinful and desperately corrupt. His will is not free, it is in bondage to his evil nature, therefore he will not, indeed he cannot, choose good over evil in the spiritual realm.
- 54%: I'm unsure.

Question 22: Which statement most closely describes your position on election?

- 34%: God's election is conditional. His choice of certain individuals to salvation "before the foundation of the world" is based on His foreseeing that they would respond to his call.
- 8%: God's election is unconditional. God's choice of individuals to salvation before the foundation of the world rested solely in His own sovereign will. God's choice of the sinner, not the sinner's choice of Christ, is ultimate cause for salvation.
- 58%: I'm unsure.
Question 23: Which statement most closely describes your position on the extent of the atonement?

- 66%: Christ's redeeming work made it possible for everyone to be saved.
- 27%: Christ's redeeming work was intended to save the elect only and actually secured salvation for them.
- 7%: I'm unsure.
Question 24: Which statement most closely describes your position on the ability to resist the Spirit’s call?

- 47%: The Spirit calls inwardly all those who are called outwardly by the Gospel invitation.
- 38%: In addition to the outward general call to salvation, which is made to everyone who hears the Gospel, the Holy Spirit extends to the elect a special inward call that inevitably brings them to salvation.
- 15%: I'm unsure.
Question 25: Which statement most closely describes your belief about the perseverance of the saints?

- 84%: Those who believe and are truly saved can lose their salvation by failing to keep up their faith.

- 9%: All who are chosen by God, redeemed by Christ, and given faith by the Spirit are eternally saved. They are kept in faith by the power of Almighty God and thus persevere to the end.

- 7%: I'm unsure.
Question 26: Which statement best describes your view of sanctification?

- 77%: Once a believer is saved, he is not sanctified until he totally surrenders at which time he can then achieve a state of Christian perfectionism with the perfect love toward God and man.
- 11%: Once a believer is saved, he lives a defeated life until he lets go and lets God. This consecration leads to the victorious life of inward rest and outward victory.
- 4%: Once a believer is saved, his process of sanctification is a gradual growth in holiness through spiritual disciplines. There is no second decision.
- 2%: Once a believer is saved, he is carnal until he accepts Christ as Lord. He then becomes a spiritual man and begins to slowly grow to become more like Christ.
- 6%: I don't know.
Question 27: Which statements most closely resemble your belief about tongues? Check all that apply.

- Tongues ceased after the completion of the New Testament.
- Tongues are heavenly or angelic languages, or ecstatic utterances.
- Tongues in I Corinthians are human languages.
- Tongues may be God's means of speaking to the people of God today, equivalent to prophecy, if interpreted.
- Tongues have continued throughout the ages, arising again in various periods of the church's history when greater desire for spirituality has occurred.

Question 28: Pick the view of salvation that most closely resembles your personal belief.

- The only hope for heaven is through personal faith in Jesus Christ except for those who have not had the opportunity to hear of Jesus Christ.
- The only hope for heaven is through personal faith in Jesus Christ.
Question 29: How was the world created?

- The world was created in six twenty-four hour days.
- The world was created in six days, but each day was an age corresponding roughly to a geological age or period.
- The biblical account of the origin of the world is intended to be symbolic and not literal.
- Can't say.

![Bar chart showing responses to the question: How was the world created?](chart.png)
Question 30: What position do you presently hold on the rapture?

- Premillennialism - Christ comes for His church at the rapture and then with His church seven years later after the tribulation.
- Postmillennialism - The kingdom of God is extended through Christian activity resulting in the world being Christianized. The result will be the Millennium with Christ coming at the conclusion.
- Amillennialism - The kingdom of God is now present in the world through Christ's Word, Spirit, and Church.
- I don't know.
Question 31: Which view most closely resembles your belief about the millennium?

- Pretribulation rapture - Christ will come for His saints; after the tribulation He will come with His saints. The church will not experience the wrath of God.
- Partial rapture - Only believers who are watching and waiting for the Lord will be raptured at various times before and during the seven-year Tribulation. Those who are raptured are spiritually mature saints, both dead and living.
- Midtribulation rapture - Believers in Christ are raptured in the middle of the tribulation period, prior to the Great Tribulation.
- Pre-wrath rapture - Believers will experience the first portion of the tribulation but be removed before the Day of the Lord (last quarter).
- Posttribulation rapture - Living believers are to be raptured at the second coming of Christ, which will occur at the end of the Tribulation.
- I don't know.

Question 32: Do you believe the Lord will return during your lifetime?

- Yes: 72.4% (636)
- No: 27.6% (243)
Question 33: Which characteristics would be included in your definition of fundamentalism?

- Separation from disobedient brethren
- Separation from false teachers
- The five fundamentals of the faith
- Innerancy of Scripture and the willingness to battle for it
- Militant contention for the faith
- Secondary separation (from evangelicals)
- Separation from the world

Yes  No
Question 34: What issues define a true fundamentalist?

- One must hold to this in order to be considered a fundamentalist.
- One cannot be a fundamentalist if he holds to this.
- This is not an issue that determines whether or not one is a fundamentalist.

[Bar chart showing various issues and their implications for being considered a fundamentalist.]
**Question 35: Describe your perceptions about fundamentalism.**

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<td>I believe that fundamentalists have gone beyond Bible boundaries in putting strictures on Christian liberty issues.</td>
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<td>I am thankful for the older men who fought the battles against modernism and neo-evangelicalism.</td>
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<td>I feel confident that I could give a biblical apologetic right now on my view of separation.</td>
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<td>I feel like I am an active part of the movement.</td>
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<td>Fundamentalists do a good job of indoctrinating their young people in the authentic Christian faith.</td>
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I am encouraged by the educational developments (accreditation, Ph.D., etc.) occurring within fundamentalism.  

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I am usually critical when I speak about fundamentalism to my friends.  

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I am a convinced fundamentalist and I have no intention of ever leaving fundamentalism.  

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I feel more at home with the likes of John Piper and John MacArthur than many fundamental leaders.  

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Fundamentalism is a growing movement.  

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**Question 36: Describe the associations you are familiar with.**

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<th>I grew up in a church that was associated with this group.</th>
<th>I feel most comfortable with the direction of this group.</th>
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Question 37: Describe your desired and beliefs regarding church planting.

- I desire to be a church planter in the US. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)
- I desire to be a church planter on the foreign field. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)
- I desire to pastor an existing church. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)
- I do not plan to be directly involved in church planting, but I plan to support it through prayer and finances. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)
- I have no strong desires one way or the other in regards to church planting. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)
- Church planting is the most effective method of evangelism. (Yes: 300, No: 200, Maybe: 50)

Question 38: If you were to plant a church, where would you plant it?

- Rural Area: 20% (206)
- Suburban Area: 50% (508)
- Inner City Area: 30% (309)
Question 39: Is it your desire to be a senior pastor some day (or are you currently serving as a senior pastor)?
- Yes: 26.1% (206)
- No: 49.8% (508)
- Maybe: 22.4% (309)

Question 40: How often do (did) you see public professions of salvation?

The church you grew up in

The church you are in now (home church)
**Question 41:** If you could set the evangelistic direction of your church, what methods do you see as being most effective (1=greatly effective, 6=not effective)?

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<td>Confrontational Evangelism (door to door, passing out tracts, etc.)</td>
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<td>Media Evangelism (radio, television, internet, etc.)</td>
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<td>177</td>
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<td>Servant Evangelism (meet physical needs first, then give the Gospel - ie: medicine, educational classes, food, etc.)</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>309</td>
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<td>Event Evangelism (crusades, special evangelistic meetings, Christmas and Easter programs, etc.)</td>
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<td>Niche Evangelism (addiction recovery, divorce recovery, young mothers, etc.)</td>
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<td>Relational Evangelism (befriend lost people with the purpose of bringing them to Christ)</td>
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<td>183</td>
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Question 42: Choose the statements that most closely resemble your personal beliefs about association in music. Check all that apply.

- I believe a good theologically-based song is a good song regardless of what kind of Christian musician wrote or performed it. 472
- I have biblical proof to back up the association argument. 231
- I believe that believers should avoid singing a song that is written by a CCM artist. 198
- The condemnation of using songs with a supposed harmful association has no biblical backing. 304
- I believe that the association issue is over-emphasized to the detriment of the greater goal of music. 481
- Praise and worship choruses that had their origin in the CCM movement should not be sung in fundamental churches. 173
- Too many fundamentalists are careless with the songs they choose. 371
- I am sensitive to the issue. I will use songs that are performed by artists I would not endorse, however our ministry will perform them more conservatively. 397
Question 43: Choose which statements best describe your beliefs about musical style. Check all that apply*.

- God cares about the heart far more than He cares about the style. 478
- The classical style of music is the most excellent style to use in worshipping God. 249
- God is equally as concerned with the style as He is with the heart. 479
- There are good musical styles and bad musical styles. 745
- Musical style is morally neutral. 199
- God can be worshipped in most musical styles, even with a rock beat. 334
- Musical style is not neutral, however what most fundamentalists say is wrong is not. 416
- There is danger in much of the contemporary music today, and fundamentalists need to continue to hold the line. 474

*Respondents were given an “Other” option where they could provide an answer. These responses can be found in Appendix C.
Question 44: What elements will you allow in your worship service? Check all that apply.

- Piano
- Keyboard
- Organ
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Saxophone
- Flute
- Orchestral Percussion
- Trap Set
- Clarinet
- Acoustic Guitar
- Electric Guitar
- Recorded Background
- Lifting of hands
- Projection of song lyrics
Question 45: If you were to start a church, what musical style would you use?
- Mostly Traditional: 45% (488)
- 75% Traditional, 25% Contemporary: 22% (241)
- 50% Traditional, 50% Contemporary: 21% (237)
- 75% Contemporary, 25% Traditional: 7% (82)
- Mostly Contemporary: 5% (55)

Question 46: Describe your feelings about dress and church.

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<td>Casual dress should be encouraged on Sunday morning.</td>
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<td>People ought to dress their best on Sunday mornings. Give your best to God.</td>
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<td>346</td>
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<td>Conservative dress standards should be required of church members when they attend church.</td>
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<td>Conservative dress standards should be required of people in positions of leadership when they attend church.</td>
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<td>Conservative dress standards should be required of people in positions of leadership when they are at home and in the community.</td>
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<td>Youth groups should have dress codes for church attendance.</td>
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<td>The church should have people attending wearing all dress styles (casual, business casual, formal, etc.).</td>
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<td>Women should not wear pants to church on Sunday morning.</td>
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<td>256</td>
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Question 47: Which statement best describes your view on the role of women in the church?

- Egalitarian – Women are equal with men in all areas and can hold the same positions as men. (111)
- Complementarian – Women are equal yet different, certain leadership roles are reserved for men in the church and home. (820)
- Authoritarian – Women are equal with men but cannot be in leadership over men in the church, home, or society. (133)

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Question 48: How much would you allow women to be involved in ministry? Check all that apply.

- Women may teach children only. (512)
- Women may teach teenagers, male and female. (479)
- Women may lead congregational music. (229)
- Women may lead the choir. (575)
- Women may serve as the Director of Christian Education. (514)
- Women may serve as the principal of a Christian school. (578)
- Women may speak publicly in a church business meeting. (666)
- Women may lead small group Bible studies attended by men and women. (147)
- Women may serve on paid church staff as the church counselor for women. (774)
- Women may be ordained and serve as a pastor. (12)
- Women may be on the leadership team of a church. (254)
- Women may be deaconesses. (329)
Question 49: If you were to start a church, what doctrine would you follow?
- Baptist: 58% (740)
- Bible: 24% (298)
- Presbyterian: 5% (67)
- Non-denominational: 13% (159)

Question 50: If you were to start a church, how would you name it?
- Baptist: 49% (629)
- Bible: 25% (331)
- Presbyterian: 6% (81)
- Community: 9% (124)
- Other: 11% (141)
Question 51: If you were to start a church, which Bible version would you use?
- KJV: (432)
- NKJV: (165)
- NASB: (222)
- ESV: (135)
- NIV: (40)
- NLT: (7)
- Other: (11)

Question 52: If you were to start a church, which form of church government would you use?
- Elders/deacons: 15.5% (154)
- Pastor/deacons: 61.3% (611)
- Pastor/elders/deacons: 23.2% (231)
Your Thoughts on other Christian Ministries

Question 53: If you attended a Christian school, describe it.

Academics

- Excellent: 43%
- Good: 15%
- Average: 6%
- Poor: 1%
- Terrible: 4%

Christian atmosphere among the students

- Excellent: 18%
- Good: 36%
- Average: 29%
- Poor: 4%
- Terrible: 13%

Teachers (academically)

- Excellent: 17%
- Good: 43%
- Average: 15%
- Poor: 6%
- Terrible: 2%
Question 54: If you went to Christian school, would you do it again?
- Yes: 75.7% (614)
- No: 24.3% (197)
Question 55: Will you place your children in a Christian school if one is available that is similar to the one you attended?

- Yes: 49% (498)
- No: 23% (230)
- I am unsure: 28% (278)

Question 56: How do you plan on educating your children?

- Christian school: 33% (335)
- Public school: 15% (150)
- Homeschool: 22% (219)
- Unsure: 30% (308)

Question 57: If you had the power to do so, would you ever start a Christian school?

- Yes: (596)
- No: (397)
Question 58: If you could change one thing about the Christian school movement, what would you change?

Although perhaps not a perfect picture of the responses, these seemed to be the common themes. The number to the left indicates the number of individuals who mentioned that as a concern.

- 88 – Improve teachers/academics/pay
- 70 – Emphasis – discipleship and spiritual discipleship and spiritual development.
- 60 – Rules/Heart - Change the over-emphasis on external standards and rules and lack of focus upon the heart.
- 50 – Outreach - Too isolated from the world/not enough outreach
- 38 – Enrollment Policy - Do not use as evangelistic tool, should be stricter, not based on the school needing money.
- 32 – Church - Change conflict they cause with local church (They cause problems for/in the church)

The actual responses may be found in Appendix D.

Question 59: Describe your past involvement in Christian camp. Check all that apply.

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<td>I attended a fundamental Christian camp during Jr/Sr high</td>
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<td>I did not attend Christian camp throughout Jr/Sr high</td>
<td>The camp that I attended was an established camp with a full-time staff</td>
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<td>The camp that I attended was run by a church (or churches) and was staffed by volunteers</td>
<td>I was saved through the ministry of Christian camping</td>
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<td>My spiritual life was greatly helped through the ministry of camp (full time service, victory over a sin habit, etc.)</td>
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**Question 60: Rate your feelings about the ministry of Christian camping.**

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<td>I plan on encouraging my children and the youth of my church to attend Christian camp.</td>
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<td>Christian camp is a great evangelistic method.</td>
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<td>I believe the majority of the preaching at camp helps the camper.</td>
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<td>325</td>
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<td>I think the preaching at camp tends to focus on immediate results instead of long-term change.</td>
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<td>390</td>
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<td>One of my concerns about camp is how the invitations are handled.</td>
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<td>I will choose when I go to camp based on who is speaking.</td>
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<td>334</td>
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<td>I am discouraged about camp because most of them promote a wrong view of sanctification.</td>
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<td>193</td>
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**Question 61: Check all statements that describe your feelings about the ministry of the evangelist.**

The preaching of most fundamental evangelists is healthy for believers.

- [ ] Strongly agree
- [ ] Mildly agree
- [ ] Neutral
- [ ] Mildly disagree
- [ ] Strongly disagree

![Pie Chart]

- **14%** Strongly agree
- **28%** Mildly agree
- **14%** Neutral
- **18%** Mildly disagree
- **26%** Strongly disagree
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<td>If I were a pastor, I would schedule an evangelist to come to my church.</td>
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<td>I believe that the itinerant evangelist of today has become more of a revivalist.</td>
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<td>I think the biblical role of the evangelist is more like our modern day missionary/church planter.</td>
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<td>I was saved through the ministry of an evangelist.</td>
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<td>God used the ministry of an evangelist to have a positive life-changing impact on me.</td>
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<td>The preaching of most fundamental evangelists is healthy for believers.</td>
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Question 62: Fundamentalists should be willing to have limited cooperation with Catholics for causes of co-belligerence (i.e. opposing abortion, gay rights, etc.).

- Strongly agree: 22% (235)
- Somewhat agree: 23% (264)
- Neutral/Undecided: 17% (184)
- Somewhat disagree: 14% (148)
- Strongly disagree: 24% (258)

Question 63: Who is responsible for the moral decline in America (1=most responsible, 5=least responsible)?
Question 64: What are your thoughts on prayer in public schools?

- The teacher should lead in Christian prayer every day. (264)
- A quiet time should be given where students can pray, meditate or have a moment of reflection regardless of religion. (652)
- Public prayer should not be allowed in public schools. (84)
- I am unsure of my beliefs on this issue. (155)

Question 65: Rate how you feel fundamentalists are doing on addressing the following issues.

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<td>Defining a biblical position on the environment</td>
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<td>Being stewards of the environment</td>
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<td>345</td>
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Question 66: What is your political party affiliation?

- Green Party: 2% (18)
- Independent: 8% (78)
- Republican: 87% (802)
- Democrat: 2% (16)
- Libertarian: 1% (8)
Question 67: If you were a senior pastor how would you have handled Mel Gibson’s movie, “The Passion of the Christ”? Check all that apply.

- 15% Discourage people from attending the movie.
- 17% Encourage people to attend the movie with a lost friend.
- 10% Personally see the movie in the theatre.
- 7% Don’t go and see it in the theatre, but rent it when it comes out on DVD/VHS.
- 4% Preach against the content of the movie.
- 2% Be silent about it.
- 30% Pass out tracts or booklets outside the theatre or in the community.
- 15% Preach a sermon series in your church relevant to the death of Christ.
Question 68: What do you think you will be doing in ten years? Check all that apply.

- Active in good, Bible-teaching church: (765)
- In full-time ministry: (670)
- Raising a godly family: (837)
- Not attending church: (42)
- Working in my career field: (260)
Question 69: If you plan on being in full-time ministry, in what capacity?

- Christian Education: 22% (253)
- Pastorate: 28% (316)
- Church Ministries: 22% (259)
- Missions: 21% (243)
- Para-church: 7% (81)

Question 70: What do you hope your generation can do for the cause of Christ?

- 405 out of 918 mentioned their desire to be involved in evangelism at home or abroad.

The actual responses are in Appendix E.
**Question 71:** I would like to have a substantial impact on

- A church: (691)
- A community: (731)
- A country: (486)
- The world: (504)

**Question 72:** What is the greatest fear or concern you have for your generation?

These were the top answers ranked by number of times the answer appeared. For example, number 1 was the most frequent response.

1. **Apathy** - “apathetic Christians bored with Christianity”
2. **Worldliness/materialism** - “cultural addiction”
3. **Lack of absolute convictions** - (Post-modernism, pluralism, subjective truth, lack of standards)
4. **Absence of personal holiness**
5. **Lack of evangelistic effort and fervor**
6. **Legalism**
7. **Reactionary** - overreacting to problems in fundamentalism
8. **Technology**

The actual responses are in Appendix F.
Question 73: How can the older generation help you?

These seemed to be the most common answers ranked with the most common answer appearing first.

1. Disciple/mentor counsel us personally “talk, listen, and model Christ”
2. Teach and preach the Word more accurately “teach us to study, work, love, preach”
3. Share wisdom and experience
4. Be examples to follow
5. Listen and be open to and accept change. “by seeing good change in the right perspective and not just the bad”
6. Pray for us.

The actual answers can be found in Appendix G.

Personal Walk with God:

Question 74: How long have you been saved?

- Less than one year: 13% (139)
- 1-4 years: 6% (61)
- 5-10 years: 19% (206)
- 11-15 years: 22% (255)
- 16-20 years: 23% (260)
- 20+ years: 17% (185)
Question 75: Describe your salvation experience. Check all that apply.

- From the moment of my salvation, I have not experienced periods of doubting my salvation. (279)
- I regularly have doubts as to whether or not I am saved. (114)
- I have struggled in the past with doubts, but I no longer do. (624)
- I have made numerous professions of faith in my life. (181)
- I know I am saved but I do not feel like it. (76)
- I am 100% sure that I am saved. (853)
Question 76: Check all statements that are true of you.

- God regularly answers my prayers.  (816)
- I am genuinely convicted or chastised when I sin.  (845)
- I am not controlled by worldly things (lifestyles, clothes, music, philosophies, magazines, periodicals and books).  (515)
- I have a sincere desire to do God's will in every area of my life.  (840)
- I do not continually or habitually practice the same sin over and over again in my life.  (349)
- I genuinely love my brothers and sisters in the family of God and love to be with them in the house of God, studying His Word together.  (797)
- The Holy Spirit indwells my body and at this very moment is giving me absolute peace, joy and assurance that I am a genuine child of God.
Question 77: How many days did you have personal devotions out of the last seven days (not including studying for class, sermon prep, etc)? Choose One
- 0: 12% (130)
- 1: 5% (59)
- 2: 9% (96)
- 3: 9% (96)
- 4: 13% (145)
- 5: 15% (166)
- 6: 15% (161)
- 7: 22% (228)

Question 78: In your personal devotions, how much time are you spending doing Bible reading and study?
- 0-5 minutes: 8% (79)
- 6-10 minutes: 15% (144)
- 11-20 minutes: 37% (361)
- 21-30 minutes: 28% (277)
- 31-60 minutes: 12% (119)
Question 79: Which Bible version do you use most in your personal devotions:
- KJV: (385)
- NKJV: (99)
- NIV: (132)
- NLT: (52)
- NAS: (210)
- ESV: (122)

Question 80: How much time did you spend in private, concentrated prayer last week (not including mealtime prayers)?
- None: 7% (64)
- 5-10 minutes: 15% (143)
- 11-30 minutes: 30% (278)
- 31-60 minutes: 24% (228)
- 1-3 hours: 18% (170)
- 3+ hours: 6% (57)
Question 81: Choose which statement best describes your spiritual condition.
- I am consistently growing. : 58% (629)
- I am seeing sporadic growth. : 39% (422)
- I am not growing. : 3% (33)

Question 82: Describe your church attendance at your home church.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attendance Type</th>
<th>Sunday School</th>
<th>Sunday Morning</th>
<th>Sunday Evening</th>
<th>Midweek Service</th>
<th>Small groups in homes</th>
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Question 83: When is the last time you have personally led someone to the Lord for salvation?

- In the last 30 days: 9% (92)
- In the last 90 days: 12% (123)
- In the last six months: 17% (168)
- In the last year: 14% (137)
- Over a year ago: 26% (256)
- Over five years ago: 14% (140)
- Never: 8% (81)
**Question 84: Describe your evangelistic activity.**

- I hand out tracts. (411)
- I verbally witness to those I know. (627)
- I verbally witness to those I do not know. (335)
- I invite people to regular church services. (517)
- I invite people to special evangelistic meetings. (412)
- I invite people to watch a Christian movie (Left Behind, The Passion, Jesus film, etc.). (69)
- I give away Christian books or audio messages. (167)
Question 85: Rate your feelings about the effectiveness of each evangelistic method.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Method</th>
<th>Very effective</th>
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<td>Invite people to watch a Christian movie</td>
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<td>Invite people to evangelistic meetings</td>
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<td>535</td>
<td>121</td>
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<td>Invite people to church events</td>
<td>352</td>
<td>554</td>
<td>104</td>
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<td>710</td>
<td>220</td>
<td>89</td>
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Question 86: Do you believe the activity listed below is morally wrong all of the time (This question was asked of young evangelicals and published in James Davison Hunter's book, "Evangelicalism, The Coming Generation")?

- Extramarital sexual intercourse
- Premarital sexual intercourse
- Heavy petting (removing clothes, sexual foreplay)
- Casual petting (necking, fondling)
- Smoking marijuana
- Smoking cigarettes (use of tobacco products)
- Drinking alcohol
- Attending R-rated movies
- Attending movies in the theatre
- Dancing
- Playing cards (poker, canasta, etc.)
Question 87: When at home, rate which activity gets the most of your time.  
(1=gets the most time, 5=gets the least time)

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<th>Activity</th>
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<td>Internet and/or video games</td>
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<td>234</td>
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<td>Personal time with God and His Word</td>
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<td>Recreation and hobbies</td>
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<td>269</td>
<td>118</td>
<td>72</td>
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Question 88: Describe your belief about the use of alcoholic beverages. Check all that apply.

- Biblically, it is a Christian liberty issue. As long as one doesn't cause a weaker brother to stumble, it is fine. (284)
- It is biblically wrong. I believe in total abstinence. (365)
- I believe it is wrong to drink in public, but it is permissible in the privacy of my home. (67)
- Abstinence cannot be proven from the Bible, but I feel it is still unwise for a believer to engage in it. (465)
- Drunkenness is wrong, however drinking in moderation is permissible. (303)
**Question 89: Describe your personal practice regarding alcohol consumption.**

- I have never drunk alcohol and I have no plans to ever do so.  (567)
- I tasted alcohol in the past, but it was never a regular occurrence.  (271)
- I drank alcohol with some regularity in the past, but I no longer do.  (95)
- I drink on certain occasions, but I never get drunk.  (130)
- Alcohol consumption is a current weakness of mine.  (33)

![Pie chart showing distribution of responses to the alcohol consumption question](chart.png)

- **51%** I have never drunk alcohol and I have no plans to ever do so.
- **9%** I tasted alcohol in the past, but it was never a regular occurrence.
- **12%** I drank alcohol with some regularity in the past, but I no longer do.
- **3%** I drink on certain occasions, but I never get drunk.
- **25%** Alcohol consumption is a current weakness of mine.
Question 90: Describe your personal, private music listening preferences (1=indicates I prefer to listen to this music the most, 4=indicates I prefer to listen to this music the least).

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<th>Music Type</th>
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<td>Contemporary Christian Music</td>
<td>288</td>
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<td>Conservative Christian Music</td>
<td>413</td>
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<td>Secular non-rock music (classical, soundtracks, etc.)</td>
<td>278</td>
<td>347</td>
<td>211</td>
<td>143</td>
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<td>Secular rock music (rock, pop, country, etc.)</td>
<td>177</td>
<td>130</td>
<td>94</td>
<td>201</td>
<td>401</td>
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Question 91: I believe a person can have one style of music for personal pleasure and enjoyment (CCM, country, easy listening, etc.) while having another conservative, traditional style for public worship.
- Yes: 71.4% (648)
- No: 28.6% (259)

Question 92: Rate where you received your knowledge about sex (1=most amount of information, 6=least amount of information)?

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<td>My parent(s)</td>
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<td>203</td>
<td>161</td>
<td>129</td>
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<td>Media (TV, movies, music, magazines, novels, etc.)</td>
<td>233</td>
<td>315</td>
<td>182</td>
<td>125</td>
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<td>Church</td>
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<td>103</td>
<td>129</td>
<td>146</td>
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<td>298</td>
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<td>Friends</td>
<td>239</td>
<td>262</td>
<td>151</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>87</td>
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<td>School</td>
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<td>143</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>110</td>
<td>119</td>
<td>214</td>
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Question 93: How far have you gone with a member of the opposite sex (while unmarried)?

- Never touched (holding hands, embracing): 14% (211)
- Some touching (holding hands, embracing): 27% (403)
- Kissing: 23% (344)
- Petting (fondling, touching inappropriately): 16% (231)
- Heavy Petting (removal of clothing, sexual foreplay): 12% (177)
- Sexual Intercourse: 8% (111)
Question 94: Have you gone further physically with a member of the opposite sex than you wish you would have?

- Yes: 57.8% (564)
- No: 42.2% (412)

Question 95: When is the last time you voluntarily view pornography? Check all that apply.
Question 96: Have you repeatedly viewed pornography in the last twelve months?
- Yes: 14.1% (150)
- No: 85.9% (917)

Question 97: Have you ever been sexually abused?
- Yes: 10.7% (115)
- No: 89.3% (961)

Question 98: Have you ever found yourself preoccupied with sexual fantasies regarding the same sex?
- Yes: 9.5% (93)
- No: 90.5% (884)
Question 99: Have you ever participated in sexual activity with a member of the same sex?
- Yes: 11.7% (117)
- No: 88.3% (881)

Question 100: Do you struggle with a sin that has turned into a habit and you have a hard time getting victory?
- Yes: 59.1% (540)
- No: 40.9% (374)
**Question 101: What is your biggest vice?**

The most frequent responses are listed below ranked in order of frequency of appearance.

1. Moral problems (pre-marital sex, pornography, moral habit, Internet etc.)
2. Pride
3. Laziness
4. Over-eating
5. TV/internet/movies
6. Materialism

The complete responses can be found in Appendix H.

**Question 102: What do you feel most guilty about?**

The complete responses can be found in Appendix I.
Question 103: What is the main regret you have in your life?

• Spiritual Failure – 281
  – Weak witness (62), apathy (42), wasted years (75)

• Moral Failure – 185
  – Dating, homosexuality, moral habit, petting, porn (37), pre-marital sex (48), sexual sin (43), thought life

• Personal Failure – 80
  – Parents, witnessing, devotions, late salvation,

The complete answers can be found in Appendix J.

Question 104: Rate your agreement with the following statements:

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>Strongly agree</th>
<th>Mildly agree</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
<th>Mildly disagree</th>
<th>Strongly disagree</th>
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<td>I have a heart to reach lost people.</td>
<td>566</td>
<td>417</td>
<td>83</td>
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<td>Those closest to me would say I love my neighbor as myself.</td>
<td>331</td>
<td>493</td>
<td>153</td>
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<td>Those closest to me would say that I love the Lord my God with all my heart.</td>
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<td>444</td>
<td>83</td>
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<td>I have set spiritual goals this year.</td>
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<td>296</td>
<td>136</td>
<td>68</td>
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<td>I have true joy in my life.</td>
<td>541</td>
<td>352</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>54</td>
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<td>I am patient with others’ shortcomings.</td>
<td>176</td>
<td>485</td>
<td>173</td>
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<td>I find myself judging others when I know I shouldn’t.</td>
<td>163</td>
<td>501</td>
<td>157</td>
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<td>I have made a large sacrifice for Christ.</td>
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<td>I have a hard time trusting God.</td>
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<td>300</td>
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<td>I have control over my anger.</td>
<td>241</td>
<td>442</td>
<td>135</td>
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<td>My life is exemplified by walking in the Spirit.</td>
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<td>440</td>
<td>241</td>
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Appendix A

Question 12

Describe the preaching in your home church.

- "I would want it to be thoroughly God-centered, not constantly focusing on behavior."
- "Less events oriented"
- "Not as repetitive"
- "The length of the messages - too long"
- "More about Christ rather than standards"
- "Make it Christ-centered"
- "Nothing."
- "Preach Longer"
- "The pastor needs to retire, he speaks his opinion, not the Word"
- "That my pastor would stick to facts more than try to be emotional."
- "More application, more down to earth"
- "The audience...Many are unresponsive and critical. Come with the attitude of seeking to change! God works, but only in accepting hearts."
- "Make the messages God-focused instead of behavior focused."
- "My pastor ""teaches"" better than he ""preach/proclaims."" I would like to see more powerful, rhetorical proclamation."
- "Nothing at this point"
- "Could be more doctrinal and Christocentric"
- "That it could be more often, that my Pastor wouldn't travel to Northland so much, so that he was in the pulpit every Sunday. Pastor Davey is simply outstanding, and I don't like sharing him :-)
- "I would have him preach through a book, go verse by verse, explaining the text and how that text is important to me today"
- "Thee is nothing i would change to make it better"
- "length of the sermon"
- "I would attempt to present the Gospel in a little more dynamic way using audio-visual media such as power point."
- "Actually, I think the preaching at my church is pretty good -- sound biblically and practical."
- "Better grasp of the language"
- "Make it biblically relevant."
- "Preaching truths from Scripture, not finding Scripture to back up truths. More reformed."
- "More Bible exposition, more contextual explanation."
- "The enthusiasm with which the Word of God is delivered."
- "It needs to be thoroughly Biblical, expository in the fullest sense of the word."
- "The length in time"
- "More expository"
- "More expository and engaging"
- "The amount of ""vocalized pauses""
- "Make it more interesting and engaging"
- "Change preachers, preferably one from a new perspective - not one who didn't have his diapers changed in the same church and has all his relatives working there."
- "The pastor is very well-meaning and sincere, yet he is monotone and redundant. It is one thing to clarify and expand on points in the sermon. It is entirely different to spend fifteen minutes explaining"
- "I would change his stressing of man's free will over God's sovereignty - especially in the area of salvation. To him, God just knew who would chose Him and chose to elect those people."
- "Nothing, nothing."
- "I would like to see our pastor shoot for 35-45 minute sermons. People do not listen well when they are hungry and/or sore from sitting for an hour. Also, I would like to see us discontinue the use"
"Make it much more practical. Study thoroughly what the Bible says, say more with less words."
"Make it truly expository."
"My pastor is a model preacher with a well-thought-out philosophy of preaching. I've imbibed his philosophy and I don't know that I'd change anything."
"Go to expositional preaching"
"Theological with application"
"Less stress on Greek and Hebrew, more stress on the flow of thought and argument of the passages and proper application."
"More clearly communicative"
"Sometimes my pastor tries to fit too much in the sermon. I would rather go through a series more slowly and be able to digest all that the passages contain."
"Nothing...I love my pastor and the messages he preaches. They are both edifying and convicting."
"Nothing"
"Length of sermon--keep it under 40 minutes."
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"It would be more Gospel-centered in it's presentation and application."
"Make more specific application."
"I would have the preaching cover both personal and ecclesiastical separation."
"To make it more applicable/understandable to college age group."
"More altar calls for strong believers"
"Shorten the sermons by 10-15 minutes"
"Hard to say"
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"N O T H I N G"
"It would be more practical and directed."
"Nothing"
"To clarify - expository in philosophy even when topical in style"
"As the pastor, I can't check off some of them myself, but I tried to check off some of the characteristics that I strive for."
"My pastor is a good man. He preaches on Sunday mornings. It is very hard for me to follow him. He doesn't normally seem to have an evident outline. There are times where his preaching is tremendous"
"Usually tells us that we need to do good and love others every Sunday, but it's taught like something we ought to do, and it's weak. But I don't attend a Fundamentalist church"
"90% of the time Gospel-centered but 10% of the time moralism"
"My pastor has a Ph.D., but is great at "'breaking it down'" for the people."
"My pastor is the best preacher I have ever heard"
"Never expository and often entails turning to ten plus passages"
"I've not attended this church for long, but I've noticed that members seem to be lacking knowledge of the basic Bible doctrine - this is a concern for me."
"My Pastor really has a heart for people, but it is usually very historical and informational. He does not preach on things such as encouragement or joy or things like this. Also, he does well with app"
"For about the last year, my pastor has been very inconsistent in his preaching. Some sermons are exegetical, scripturally focused, exactly what I would expect from a man of God who believes that his j"
"Wed. night Bible studies are more practical and applicable, and down to earth than most other services: also the least attended. Sunday mornings are focused almost entirely on salvation, when everyone"
"The pastor of my church is a college administrator so there are several qualified ministers of the Word who teach/preach during the Sunday School, afternoon, and evening services."
• "Topics the pastor feels strongly about, he preaches on. Little scripture is used and the application is rarely specific."
• "The depth of the sermons vary. Beginning to have more meat to them"
• "Shot gun approach at times"
• "Sometimes boring"
• "We just have a new pastor so some of these checked boxes are from our previous pastor and some are from our new one."
• "My pastor also happens to be my husband. I know first hand that he labors to make his sermons real, alive and Biblical. He is working on using a variety of different approaches."
• "The preaching shows you who God is, not just what his rules are and how I should conform outwardly. God is much more than I was ever taught."
• "For the most part. I have gone to churches where the pastor is much more deep and focused, but he is quite good for a pastor in Iowa, which is most definitely not the ""Bible belt."""
• "Rich, Exegesis drive application, not terribly polished, full of truth"
• "Yes--Biblical Yes--God-centered Not too enthusiastic or passionate"
• "Preaching is an art that requires great skill, and the degree of perfection to which it is executed must vary considerably from Sunday to Sunday. Generally the sermons which are the most ""boring"" are"
• "The pastor does a good job of trying to stick to the text the best he knows how, but there does seem to be a disconnect between explanation and application."
• "Pastor Randy helps to change lives by his strong yet relevant preaching."
• "My pastor is capable and willing to preach a variety of sermons, both expository and topical."
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• "One of my pastors sometimes does not even appear to have a biblical text at all, though it is based on biblical principles"
• "In response to Q13 most fundamental preaching is not true expository but ""bible"" preaching—that is they do not preach the unique message of the passage but use the passage a springboard to preach bib"
• "It's a joke."
• "Dead"
• "No local church, but military chapel context where practically all of the above apply depending on the chaplain preaching that given day."
• "Major counseling emphasis"
• "a blend of topical, expository, and textual"
• "What ever categories you would place Dr. Mark Minnick. He's my pastor."
• "Too many rabbit trails."
• "Again, hard to categorize. Mostly very solid. Sometimes I think more preaching ""from"" than ""out of"" the Bible, if that makes sense--not always what I expect from the text, but usually very expositor"
• "Tough love, steps on toes that need to be trod on, humble, faithful, real"
• "See comment of Q11. Some of these terms are relative, and have different standards in different cultures"
• "Much of the preaching is focused on practical Christian living. The spiritual disciplines are emphasized without always the motivation of Christ's love and promises to produce those disciplines."
• "Our Pastor is great man. He doesn't assume everyone knows the ""basic"" bible stories, or where books of the bible are found. He gets down on people's level, yet still on other levels of knowledge. H"
• "Many Jokes Many Illustrations"
• "It is salvation every sermon. Not expository"
• " Usually expository with nearly half devoted to application/discussion"
• "We currently have an interim pastor in search for a head pastor"
• "Practical and connecting sometimes"
• "Pastor has a heart for ministry and reaching out so when he preaches on that it is very challenging. He preaches a lot of narrative messages and they are not very applicable to my life though."
• "I checked ""boring,"" primarily because of the length of the messages. Our pastor always preaches at least 45 minutes and often preaches for over an hour. Also, our church is unusual, in that the Sr. Pa"
• ""Application-centered"" as opposed to what?? I believe in having applicational preaching, however, I do not believe in having solely applicational messages. Expository preaching and and even topical p"'
• "Repetitive"
• "There is a sense of depth in that he is going as far as he can with the audience he is preaching to. Most of the members are first generation believers or are very biblically uneducated. With that i"
• "There is a lack of expository preaching from the pulpit of my home church when the senior pastor preaches. However, when the assistant pastor preaches, he is usually able to get into the text and not"
• "A selfless man from our local Bible college is preaching for us in the absence of a pastor"
• "Christ-centered"
• "It is expository, but not necessarily deep and detailed."
• "Usually he preaches from a series of messages."
• "Very outline-oriented. Always alliterates, sometimes it seems like that controls his outline more than the text"
• "My pastor's preaching is the best preaching I have ever heard anywhere, including college. His knowledge and understanding of scripture has impressed us beyond words, and we have learned so much doctr"
• "Pastor's preaching is more of a teaching style. It is good preaching, but others in the church think he preaches too long and they lose interest."
• "Different types of preaching - doesn't major on one particular style (ie, topical vs expository)"
• "Challenging"
Appendix B
Question 14

If you could change one thing about the preaching at your church, what would you change?

- "More exposition of the text and less personal agenda from the pastor"
- "It gets its main point from the passage, but it does not seem to really use that passage for the rest of the sermon. The passage is just sort of the foundation, but not content, of the message."
- "I would make it more applicable and understandable to all people, not just adults and married people."
- "I think that he could even go deeper . . . the people could probably handle it, although he knows the sheep better than I do"
- "The hearers"
- "Getting the members more involved in the ministry"
- "More application"
- "More emphasis on expository preaching and greater exegetical insight"
- "My pastor connects with his congregation using personal experience, which is fine, only he uses the same illustrations over and over. This seems to glorify himself rather than Christ and show how he and his family made it through hard times. I could hear the same type of message from a motivational"
- "less self-help stuff and more Scripture."
- "Nothing."
- "nothing"
- "More of an emphasis on who God is instead of who we ought to be."
- "The version used (KJV)"
- "It would be more interactive, more engaging with the congregation."
- "More variety. I feel as if I hear the same message each week."
- "I would prefer more in depth expository preaching along with the already practical message."
- "The pastor could exhort the congregation a bit stronger, but that may come as he builds a relationship with the people."
- "My pastor really does a great job exegeting the text. I would change nothing."
- "I wouldn't change a thing."
- "I would love to hear more about issues that we face every day -- current events, trends, and issues and how to deal with them in light of Scripture. The fact is, you can preach systematically through the Bible and still be relevant and up-to-date on current issues. You can preach topically on curr"
- "More stimulating--intellectually, that is. More in depth exegesis. More encourgaement to press on in personal holiness."
- "Make a bit more alive and real, they both do a great job, but they could always use more"
- "More interesting"
- "Length of sermon, sometimes too much to spiritually digest (for me at least)"
- "Applying his message more to the unsaved that could be attending church on a particular Sunday"
- "I would like to have more preaching about basic doctrinal issues because I believe many Christians do not know why what they believe is different from other tenets of Christianity. I believe solid Biblical instruction in these areas will help produce stronger Christians in fundamental churches tod"
- "I would go expositionally through a book."
- "He more teaches from the pulpit than preaches. Perhaps if I were to change something it would be more 'preaching' instead of teaching, yet by no means is it unbalanced, (i.e. no preaching, just teaching)"
- "Focus more on the Person of Christ and pointing people toward Him rather than how they can change for Him."
• "The location. We meet in the bottom of a lawyer's office building. It's a church plant in progress."
• "Change it to more expository. He has trouble bringing out what the text is actually talking about and then applying it to the congregation. Instead, he lets it say what he wants it to say and applies it."
• "That it would be more exegetical and deep."
• "The tone toward people in error, I believe it should be a bit kinder."
• "I really like the preaching at my church."
• "More variation of texts. More giving direction and focus to the church."
• "I think the preaching needs to be more evened out for the young people and for the older adults in the church. Most of the time, the message is geared toward the older people. There needs to be more preaching that both the young people and older people can both relate too."
• "Sometimes the preaching seems too blunt, but sometimes the Bible is blunt and it needs to be preached that way."
• "Not as many guest speakers."
• "Get through more easily"
• "Nothing!"
• "He could use more applications"
• "Sometimes the person preaching (not only the senior pastor preaches) has a tendency to stretch the meaning of the text a bit to fit his application. Be more true to the true meaning."
• "A little more emphasis on application"
• "I don't know"
• "More series on entire books"
• "More relevant, based on the Scripture, more variety, less dead, more convicting and equipping. Right now, it's fuzzy preaching."
• "Focus more on Doctrine and the redemptive benefits of Christ's death as it applies to the Church."
• "Have it indicate that the pastor meditated deeply on it/spent more than just a few hours on it"
• "Nothing!"
• "I don't think I would change anything about the preaching at my church."
• "More Christ-centered preaching. More Scripture"
• "More in depth study of the text"
• "Focus on view of God"
• "More pointed and convicting"
• "It seems so dry and the pastor is monotone. I want to grow there but it's difficult when I'm struggling to stay awake. But it is Biblically sound preaching."
• "We would keep better starting time. That is cultural however, I am a missionary in Zambia and the pastors are still learning this principal."
• "Engage the congregation more in terms of closing the gap between the text and our everyday lives"
• "Nothing"
• "The length of the message"
• "A little more fluid"
• "Nothing - He does an excellent job!"
• "Nothing"
• "I don't think there is anything that I would change"
• "Nothing. My pastor is the best I have ever heard."
• "Relevant application that connects where people are today."
• "We've been going through the book of Acts for a long time and the preaching is about being missions-minded, for the most part. This is fine and very applicable for our church, which was founded by a missionary in an urban, academic, international city with the goal of ministering to the world by min"
• "More of it."
• "Nothing"
• "My pastor often abbreviates his intended message for the sake of time. I would rather have him take the extra time to finish his thoughts."
• "No comment here."
• "Have some of the church people preach everyday as opposed to only pastoral staff (ex. Scientist do a creation science sermon)."
• "Not use such big terms and words during a sermon that regular people can't understand."
• "Nothing"
• "Invitations/Alter calls are too few."
• "Greater application, and perhaps extend the length to deal to a greater depth in exposition."
• "Less review from past sermons, and more of what he is speaking on that day."
• "Make it more evangelistic, and not so much teaching."
• "Nothing"
• "Nothing"
• "More "'alive'' or challenging"
• "Connecting everyday life to the Gospel! Specific "'how-to'' examples of living the Gospel in mundane life."
• "More of it!!!"
• "All of the precursors/everything else in the service that led up to it... i think it could be a bit stronger in its emphasis on God's rule and providence over creation, but in general - that is not lacking. I'm just more committed to bringing those things to light."
• "More preaching. I would like three hours of the word preached."
• "More application for all rather than a few here or there."
• "I would like it to be a bit more concise. It has always bothered me when Pastors preach and they say the same things in their sermons over and over again. It does need to be repeated but not too much."
• "The pastor repeats everything more than he needs to. He could use more vocal inflection."
• "I would not change anything. The Lord has blessed me with a wonderful Pastor and church."
• "God-Focused More Theological"
• "Thoughtful"
• "Making it a little more applicable to daily life."
• "I wish it could encourage us to study our own Bibles more and model for us how to do it"
• "More canonical"
• "The pastor's passion in preaching. It almost seems like a job to him and not a message he burns with."
• "Nothing"
• "The length of the message - got my focused and pointed"
• "Make it more relevant, more practical, and more Bible-based rather than centered on standards and preferences."
• "More real life application"
• "Pastor would use other translations than the KJV for clarification."
• "More expository"
• "Nothing"
• "Preach a little more from the Old Testament"
• "More Application"
• "Easier to follow sometimes"
• "Off the top of my head I can not think of any changes I would make."
• "The attentiveness of the listeners! My pastor does an excellent job."
• "More for Believers, like discipleship. Deeper."
• "That Pastor would be more Dynamic in his communication, everything else is good!"
• "More harder preaching!"
• "I enjoy and learn from the preaching now, I wouldn't change anything"
• "I would change the approach. Instead of preaching the Word of God AGAINST everything, let's exhort each other and provoke each other to good works."
"More opportunity taken to preach "hard" on fundamental doctrines - Biblical teachings about which we should be passionate."
"More structured Outline, easier to follow."
"Nothing"
"Better structure and logical flow. Good content, but not enough discipline to quit at the right time."
"I wouldn't change a thing. The preaching is quite helpful in equipping the saints for ministry."
"Forcing the text into an alliterated outline"
"Shorter series...2 years is a little long"
"Not much - maybe more passion"
"It would be a large majority expository preaching with the pastor preaching through books. It is currently never that."
"Nothing. I love it."
"I would have more interesting topics that relate more to the people in my church"
"One of the pastors-to-be doesn't get the main idea out very well and goes off on rabbit trails."
"May be make it a little deeper, my pastor didn't receive a degree in Bible"
"More focused message"
"Nothing really, the preaching is excellent"
"Change the topical preaching to expository."
"Nothing comes to mind."
"That there were not so many series messages."
"There is a disconnect between the theology and application"
"Doctrine! I feel like we get so close to uncovering God's power and then we get a formula for a healthy, wealthy Christian life."
"Nothing"
"Plead with the Audience to accept what is preached."
"Preach on Hell with Heaven on the face"
"More interesting"
"Attitude. its not very vibrant and usually preaching is one way and the way the person lives is another."
"Perhaps more a little more explanation and depth to the sermons"
"Nothing"
"More application more emphasis on a changed life in the areas at hand"
"I would change it to be more interesting and applicable to everyone's life. The preaching is good and sound, but it lacks energy and practical application for everyone."
"More expositional"
"That my pastor would ALWAYS preach the text."
"I love and appreciate the Biblical, expository style, but I would appreciate a little more practical, hands-on application at the end."
"I can't think of anything to change"
"Be more creative with the topics and the general presentation"
"He uses too many long illustrations."
"N/A"
"Alot of the preaching is on the family and I appreciate that, but being a college student I would like there to be other focuses as well."
"More doctrine"
"I can't criticize him for anything. He does an exemplary job."
"I would give the Pastor lessons in speaking. He speaks at, not to, his congregation. His style is in heightened language that his congregation has trouble following. He doesn't vary his voice, except to get louder, and he flips from passage to passage so fast, he loses the audience. His preaching"
"My sleep schedule, so I was more awake all the time."
"I would like to have it a little more intense."
"Nothing"
"I wish he would have preached the whole counsel of God. It seemed to be the same old thing... kind of upset at something worldly, etc."
"More deeper doctrinal truths to be presented"
"My pastor does a wonderful job of expositing Scripture. He also stays very God focused, however sometimes I wish he would keep a series only for a certain time. Sometimes it takes him years to get through a book or even a few chapters of the Bible."
"Be more detailed in a broad way... in other words more literary context and Deeper study with a broader Historical context"
"Sometimes we dwell too long on an issue."
"I think the preaching is satisfactory to me."
"Sometimes concepts are almost 'too deep' to grasp as a lay person"
"That the pastor would spend more time in Bible study while yielding to God so that the Holy Spirit would direct the preaching instead of the pastor's opinion."
"It needs to be a bit deeper"
"That my pastor was able to get more formal training."
"Nothing. My pastor does an excellent job."
"The attentiveness of the audience. I dont think the Pastor is able to move to all the topics he would like to because the congregation doesn't or isn't able to incorporate the lessons into their daily lives. (Obviously I am not speaking about individuals but rather the group as a whole)"
"Not much if anything."
"Nothing"
"That the Word was TAUGHT more indepth."
"Nothing"
"Some of the hypocrisy behind the scenes."
"More teaching Less sidelights and meandering"
"More applicable"
"More applicable to today"
"I wish my pastor was more in tune with God in his sermons and spoke a sermon based on his relationship with God"
"More depth"
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"A little clearer explanation sometimes"
"Nothing"
"Repetition of ideas within the sermon"
"Make it more applicable to everyday life"
"Relevance"
"A more heart for the people. The pastor doesn't spend alot of time with the people"
"More exposition"
"A little more confronting with truth more evangalistic"
"I would make it a bit more accessible (especially the structure)"
"How in touch he is with the congregation"
"More direct and bold in confrontation of less traditional sins"
"Would want the pastor to preach more through complete books. More preaching on Wednesday evenings. Needs to be able to bring the truths more to a practical level. Seems to overprepare and gets distracted too easily and more often then not, does not finish a sermon."
"Nothing"
"Make it a little more personal (maybe)"
"It lacks practical application. The sermons are very biblical, but they are not very useful. The sermons need to be a blend between very practical and very theological."
"I might make it more dynamic, though overall it is very good--exceptionally so."
"The intensity level.....and the heartfelt emotion...."
"Move to expositional style"
• "Nothing because god uses him in the way that he can be used the best. if i were to change something about him then perhaps God would not be able to use him to his fullest extent."
• "Application needed"
• "It needs to connect the theological and the practical aspects of the Christian life in a way that points the believer to Christ."
• "Friendliness"
• "Not as much cliche preaching and proof texting and more honest exegesis"
• "Nothing"
• "Not so long! Preaches over the amount that is needed to explain the passage."
• "Nothing"
• "More practical suggestions (not mandates) for application"
• "For him not to think that every thing that is new is bad"
• "'N'a i think it is some of the best preaching"
• "Make it relevant!"
• "Nothing"
• "The preaching is good, but i would like it to be more powerful. It is at times but sometimes it's just "'blah.'" Also it would be nice for the pastor to not really be concerned about stepping on people's toes. To say things as they are rather than tip-toeing around a certain subject"
• "Nothing"
• "It seems he beats the same application each week. Sometimes I wonder how that same application is drawn from each and every text."
• "It needs a little more life and enthusiasm."
• "I would like to see more focus on Christ and less attention to social/political trends to avoid."
• "Time spent preparing sermon."
• "More specific application"
• "Nothing really."
• "Nothing. It is good stuff."
• "More application, and more practical"
• "2"
• "Nothing"
• "I would have the pastor preach topically occasionally."
• "Not a thing."
• "Nothing. I think my pastor is the best preacher I have heard- including those heard on the radio."
• "More application, because if you cannot apply the principles being taught then what good is the principles to the people?"
• "Expositional driven, applications flowing from the text, passionate about the message that God has given."
• "Please preach/teach what the Bible says and why and the "'so what'?" of the passage, not always topical,and in the context of which it was written not what one reads into the passage! I want to be stretched spiritually (which includes my mind as well as my heart)"
• "relevent/to my everyday life shorter/more concise"
• "More application"
• "I would change the fact that when he preaches, he steps into it too fast and doesn't really get the full picture, he says things about a scripture passage that means something different than what that passage says. This is not all the time though."
• "More God-Centered"
• "Length of service"
• "Very little. Perhaps a little more practical."
• "i wish it was presented with more passion and necessity- my pastor tries to impress us with his knowledge of old text and word origins- there is no real conviction, or growth, nothing applicable to my life. i feel guilty because i'm bored and i never feel i ever learn anything."
• "More originality - meet me where i am at"
• "I would like to see more preaching thru the books of the Bible."
• "More theological"
• "More preaching on holiness."
• "40-50 minute sermons fly by, they could be double in length and I'd never notice it."
• "The lack of sensitivity to the weaker brethren."
• "More expository preaching."
• "I would add more application and more exhortation."
• "That he use more scripture and become a stronger leader."
• "I would appreciate a greater emphasis on missions"
• "Make the service more God centered"
• "Spent time under Pastor Minnicks at Mt Calvary Baptist in Greenville, and sometimes I miss the depth of his exposition."
• "Nothing -- we have one of the best preachers in America pastoring this church. I have been in literally hundreds of churches. I do really mean this."
• "Maybe a little more of an expository method."
• "More expository in the true sense of the word"
• "Make it a priority to preach in relevance and applicational"
• "Length 45-50 minutes just isn't enough. Over an hour, would be suitable to me! :-)"
• "Not as deep, more understandable"
• "Probably the depth of intense study that shows from the content"
• "More messages that practically tell how to deepen my relationship with the Lord as opposed to the basic stuff like not drinking or smoking and the importance of witnessing, etc."
• "I wouldn't change anything"
• "No Topical Preaching. Cut out the fat from the message. More Theological."
• "That the preacher wouldn't go form one topic to the next. I want the preacher to stay on one thing."
• "More of it"
• "It would appeal more deeply to the moral imagination."
• "I would not change a thing. My pastor's preaching blends accurate exegesis with convicting application. In my experience with fundamentalist churches this is extremely atypical."
• "More visual illustrations"
• "More expository"
• "More focus on the exposition of specific texts."
• "Make it applicable to my life. Also preach more on who God is, not just on the current issues in society."
• "Nothing"
• "None"
• "Nothing"
• "Nothing"
• "Perhaps more sermons on discipleship."
• "Practical, don't try and talk over my head all the time, just make the bible real"
• "NOTHING! -(Maybe Deeper, but this would be selfish of me as a junior in Bible college. My Pastor is doing a perfect job of preaching on the level of understanding of our congregation, and even a little bit above to help them advance.)"
• "It is fine"
• "I would "'change"' / increase the zeal for the LORD that my Pastor displays."
• "That pastor would preach through a biblical book and not so many topical sermons"
• "I prefer series of messages on a specific topic or book of the Bible. I believe that allows God to direct the preacher to speak on "'the whole counsel of God.""
• "More exposition. More education would help. Tends to preach on what he feels is the problems people are having at the time. I do not feel any direction in the message. Just strings thoughts together. Not a good preacher, but a good pastor. Incredible soul winner."
• "It is excellent - wouldn't mind seeing it a little more application oriented, and a little more expository, line upon line..."
• "Nothing"
- "I would wish that it was a little deeper with more digging into the Scriptures and true understanding of difficult passages."
- "I would like to see all the pastors of the church have the same strong expository preaching philosophy. Our senior pastor and youth pastor does, but when the assistant pastor occasionally fills in, it is decidedly different."
- "Variety of incoming preachers"
- "More expository"
- "Nothing really."
- "The preaching is great, but the people are not as involved. Less preaching and more congregational involvement would be appreciated."
- "The services should be longer so the preacher would be able to speak a bit more slowly."
- "More teaching"
- "I would preach more through books and less "mini-series." I would strip away the artificial language and really seek to communicate. I would preach more to the saved, and less to the unsaved. I would preach more to exalt God unabashedly, and not apologetically."
- "Deeper"
- "Salvation is often mentioned in a service, but I believe that we need more preaching about man's lost state apart from Christ. I actually wish that my pastor preached more on the topic of hell. I believe that it would not only motivate the lost to be saved, but also the saved believers to be better"
- "I want something more theological and intellectually stimulating. I rarely learn anything or am convicted of sin. I want what the text says."
- "I would want it to be longer."
- "I'm very pleased with the preaching at my church. Off hand, I can't think of anything I'd change."
- "Nothing."
- "It would aim more toward establishing a coherent biblical worldview, there is a certain amount of fragmentation between explanation and application."
- "Length"
- "We have a new pastor, so I can't make many judgements about his delivery or style at this time"
- "The pastor would preach more often."
- "There are quite a few believers that are very mature in their walk and could use even more depth. I think issues could be tackled at a deeper level."
- "Nothing, my pastor is a fine example of expository preaching and I would love to preach like him"
- "I don't know what I would change."
- "The public invitation"
- "I would change the preaching to include a bit more application. Not much more, just a little more, though."
- "Less condemning of others replaced with more focus on truth ...overall the preaching is great though!"
- "Passion Level"
- "More Biblical application of truth. More relevant to the needs of the people. More confrontational to the people's sins."
- "I would change the way my pastor comes across as his way being the only way."
- "How it applies to everyday life"
- "Sometimes I feel that there could be a greater emphasis on the application of salvation messages. The pastor will almost always present the plan of salvation in his sermon, but at times I feel the church doesn't strive to win souls apart from the Sunday morning message."
- "I wouldn't change a thing"
- "Nothing"
- "Make it more applicable to our lives, give the pastors more time to study God's word and seek the Holy Spirit's leading in their sermons."
- "Nothing"
- "Slightly shorter greatly willingness to directly engage contemporary culture"
"I'd make it relevant and understandable."
"I think going a little shorter could help with retaining thoughts (messages currently run well over an hour)."
"More vibrant"
"I would wish for more pointed and specific examples of how the truth being preached could be lived out."
"It would be more topical, and more applicational."
"N/A"
"More overviews of books. Maybe preaching on the prophetic books as a whole for a Sunday. Helping people get the "big picture" of the theme of the Bible and its parts."
"Using the text more fully to show not just that change is needed but how to change, being specific"
"Not much. The pastor is an excellent preacher and pastor, a rare combination. Sometimes the outline and points are a bit ambiguous, but that seems a somewhat pithy point. Overall, the pastor preaches the truth very respectfully and thoroughly."
"Sometimes that it would be longer. but my pastor is excellent!"
"I love my pastor, but he is repetitive to a fault. He could be so much shorter if he wouldn't keep going over things."
"Nothing"
"Needs to be more practical to the every-day edification of believers through the Scriptures"
"Less Jokes in the intros"
"More Bible and less opinion"
"More Expository"
"I would ask to switch from "what do I need to do" or "how do I do it" to "Who am I serving?" We are trying to make people act like someone they've met once and never hear of again (God). Right actions follow a right heart, and THAT is a heart that loves God. show them (me) who God is and that will he"
"Nothing"
"Not be the same thing all the time"
"Version (stop using the KJV)"
"Less large words"
"Absolutely nothing!!"
"More expository preaching, such as going through a book of the Bible."
"I know God's timing is perfect, but sometimes I wish I'd grown up hearing preaching like I hear now at church. My church's former pastor is a good man and really cares for the people, but his sermons were usually very weak and shallow. They usually focused on what Christians should/shouldn't do, wit"
"I would include a topical sermon at lest once a month."
"More practical applications"
"If I wanted to be picky, I would ask for a bit more theological depth and approach of some of the difficult issues of faith and practice."
"Too many stories and illustrations. I would prefer to hear 100 percent straight-from-God's-Word preaching and not a lot of "feel-good" email-forward stories."
"Length of time sermons take."
"I wish it were of a more expository nature. At the evening service, we have many college students attending and the messages often times seem directed to only the college students."
"If it's not broke, don't fix it."
"State the flow of his thoughts better. At times I don't know where he is going."
"I would make it longer"
"A focus on the means (power) of sanctification in the message."
"Focus on living the words of Jesus instead of perpetuating the status quo of the congregation."
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"Nothing, my preacher is a shepherd of his flock."
"More of it."
"My pastor usually preaches for about an hour strait, and it's sometimes hard to pay attention for that long."
"Make it more applicable to me. Also teach us about God and his characteristics. Show us how we can know God and how that knowledge affects our lives."
"Preaching should be relevant and biblical. It should not be done to promote the "fundamentalist agenda" but rather for the edification of believers. More focus should be given to the literary-historical context of the Scriptures, for this seems to be sadly forgotten in most churches."
"Nothing"
"The King James only aspect. We came to Calvary from a strict King James only background. It was caustic."
"Nothing at my home church currently"
"Nothing. I love our preacher and I wouldn't change a thing."
"New pastor"
"I am satisfied with the preaching at this church. Although no pastor or message is perfect, God-centered, biblical preaching characterizes what I hear."
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"More time should be spent in study and thought. The typical application is always made."
"Relevant to our reachable demographic"
"Dig deeper into the scriptures but preach it so everyone understands"
"Even more exposition."
"Nothing. My pastor is the most incredible speaker I’ve ever met or ever had the privilege to listen to."
"Needs applications people can connect with"
"Not a thing"
"Outline"
"Nothing comes to mind"
"I am in a new church because I just moved. I have been here for six months and really enjoy it. At this point, I would not change anything about the preaching. I feel he does a tremendous job."
"Perhaps relate to younger families better."
"Vary the style from Sunday to Wednesday"
"Better practical application of the excellent truths presented--understanding the people and bring the truths home to them in their reality."
"I will let the Lord decide what my pastor preaches."
"A little more fire and brimstone"
"I'm not at a church now. I'm preaching at a FOB chapel in Iraq. I'm the only preacher/chaplain and I try to blend expositional and topical preaching relevant and applicable to all the servicemen/women."
"Deeper Preaching: not just 3 points and alot of stories"
"Less topical more exposition. Right now it's about 60% expositional 40% topical"
"Nothing."
"Great exposition, but more time spent on the application of those principle to the issues of 2005 life, i.e. making the Bible come alive with relevance."
"More expositional messages drawn straight from the text"
"The Continuation of sermons"
"Nothing-our pastor is amazing."
"The pastor can tend to speak down to the congregation. Periodically, he emphasizes standard-type issues without dealing with the heart."
"Get past the basics. Get deeper. Get into doctrines. Disciple the believers, don't always preach purely evangelistic."
"Sometimes too didactic, otherwise, I enjoy it"
• "Maybe more interaction/ dramatic presentations like some evangelists"
• "Stop using proof texts for a sounding board for the hobby horse concerns and attacks on others"
• "I would change it to be more focused on just the text and teaching directly from the Word of God instead of personal preferences on issues of the day."
• "Could shorten the sermons - (currently 50-55 minutes)"
• "That there would be more application."
• "I would make it more focused on one text. The pastor focuses on one text, but jumps around to many other verses and it is hard to see the connection sometimes."
• "None"
• "Nothing!"
• "An easier-to-follow outline. Most Sundays, I can't discern an outline at all."
• "More energy to keep your attention"
• "To preach the truths of the ancient historical Church"
• "Use of an outline by the pastor -- it would force detailed preparation on his part, keep him focused during the sermon, and lend itself to practical application and ease of following along by the congregation."
• "I would change it from being teaching to preaching, currently it is more of a Bible study, than application centered."
• "Not much. Maybe a little bit more on our level."
• "This is "nit-picky" but sometimes the style can be 'flowery' or 'wordy' and I think that can get in the way. I prefer a more direct style, but this isn't an overwhelming trait. There really isn't anything else or anything significant."
• "Probably make it a little bit deeper, giving the congregation things to wrestle through and think about."
• "Not a thing"
• "My pastor is very deep, but sometimes it doesn't connect with average lay-person."
• "Sometimes, closer to the direct words, context, and purpose of the text"
• "Use a translation other than KJV"
• "Less focused on periphrial issues and standards."
• "More lay involvement"
• "The length of the message"
• "I would have the focus put on Jesus Christ rather than political issues."
• "The preaching is expository. However, we take alot of breaks while going through a book study."
• "More expository"
• "More authoritative and more emphasis on personal holiness and living out our salvation with commitment (true discipleship)"
• "Nothing"
• "Not much. He can sometimes spend a little bit too long on a certain passage he is going through, but the depth of teaching from it is very good, so it's a hard trade off."
• "That it would be more interesting"
• "More to the point and have to do with what each is experiencing now in this day and age."
• "More of a focus on the passage at hand, instead of an outline that may or may not be loosely tied to a portion of the passage."
• "Nothing"
• "Length of sermons"
• "It would be deeper"
• "How he always brings the building project into the sermon...it is applicable somehow in every message he preaches"
• "More interesting and applicable - something easily shown to us that we can apply to our everyday life. Something that makes me walk out of the church feeling refreshed and challenged to want to grow more in my relationship with God."
- "I believe our pastor is sometimes to facetious. He likes to joke around and the jokes slow down his message. He could do a better job of sticking with the message."
- "Nothing."
- "Nothing"
- "Separate one man's application from biblical principle itself"
- "Honestly, Not a thing."
- "More practical application. More on family and marriage"
- "Organized poorly, more clarity needed"
- "The congregation's response"
- "We have a broad range of Christians, but our Pastor preaches to the Professors from the College and not to the average person. He also reads a script which can be quite boring. NO MORE SCRIPTS!"
- "More eyecontact"
- "Nothing - it is very obvious that the Holy Spirit is working through our Pastor as he yields to His direction and strength."
- "That my Pastor would stick to the text and his notes, and not get side-tracked."
- "More OT preaching"
- "The preaching is everthing that I could ask for."
- "No changes"
- "Nothing"
- "It would be great if even more practical application was brought out in conclusions."
- "Application would be more prominent in the sermon."
- "I am extremely satisfied with the exposition of God's Word by my pastor."
- "Pastor to know the lives of those listening."
- "I'm the Pastor"
- "Make it more exciting... it is extremely dull."
- "It could be more applicational and appealing to the audience. It needs to draw the audience in better."
- "I don't think there would be anything I would change about the preaching of our church. Not a service goes by that I am not blessed or spoken to about some issues in my life. Maybe give Pastor more time to preach..."
- "More biblical in basis and application (i.e. more expository and less moralism, experience, or wandering)"
- "Connect eternal truths to present day application"
- "Less Jokes  Proclaim Christ as sufficient for all needs  Less Illustrations"
- "More commitment to preaching about things people need to hear, not as much Bible study preaching."
- "NA"
- "More teaching, i came into college with no idea of alot of basic theological stands and views. also more preaching practically on just how to have a relationship and love for God, instead of preaching on what should be the results of those things."
- "I would change it to be shorter. Sometimes our pastor repeats his points over and over again and the sermon lasts well over an hour."
- "More meat and doctrine, Dig deeper into the word that just salvation every week"
- "Preaching style would be more expository"
- "More consistency with going through books of the Bible rather then hop around from book to book."
- "Nothing"
- "I would want there to be more of a push for decisions."
- "That it be more expository (i.e. dealing more with the biblical text). Currently, 1-3 verses are briefly read and then the rest of the message is spent in explanation and application. Sometimes, it appears that the biblical text is secondary to the application(s). A couple of times, I have noted"
- "I don't believe that I would change anything. The focus is where it belongs on God with a challenge to the believer to take steps to grow closer to God."
- "More biblical basis"
- "More hardcore use of the scriptures- like getting into the Greek or Latin"
- "Nothing"
- "I think it is great right now."
- "More of it by more people."
- "More visual aids"
- "More mentoring by older Christians men and women for 20-35 year old singles"
- "More MEAT!"
- "I would change nothing"
- "The attitude of the congregation in regards to time. (Often our pastor cuts off sermons to finish the following week so that we get out "on time")"
- "Nothing, I really enjoy it"
- "Deeper preaching on Wednesday nights."
- "More specifically applicational"
- "More exegetical"
- "Expository preaching focusing on the needs of today's church (e.g. lots of preaching against homosexuality-which is not bad, but does not apply to what believers are struggling with as a whole - instead a good example that is not preached is about divorce or its prevention)."
- "Teaching more on doctrine"
- "Nothing at the moment...the balance is amazing!"
- "NOTHING"
- "Make my pastor 20 years younger, he's pushing 60."
- "It would be deeper and more exegetically exacting."
- "Nothing-its good."
- "Powerful, firey, preach like you meant it, with passion"
- "More practical. Soul-winning/salvation isn't the only topic in the Bible."
- "I would like for my pastor to stop preaching his opinion."
- "More Structurely Organized Content"
- "Less Prophecy"
- "Nothing!"
- "More time for preaching"
- "More focus on the cross, especially when preaching from the OT"
- "I wish more "fundamentalist" churches had this type of preaching. (just finished deputation for full-time missions. Over 100 Baptist churches in WI, MN, IL)"
- "More Expository Preaching. Less jumping on the IFB bandwagon of bashing bibles, music and so called liberals."
- "Make it longer"
- "More exposition of the text"
- "More of the same."
- "More attention should be given to current events and world situations as they relate to biblical prophecies and Christian living"
- "I want it to be expository and relevant. It shouldn't focus on the ideas and convictions of men."
- "Nothing. He is a preacher on par with Mark Minnick and CH Spurgeon. But the church is tiny."
- "Absolutely Nothing. When I am away I thirst for it. Even when I was going to Christian College. I've never heard better preaching anywhere."
- "I wish that it would address modern issues."
- "More practical preaching that deals with normal, day-to-day life issue, instead of obscure theological concepts."
- "More evening series"
- "Cut out the technical language and make it easier to follow. Tends to be a bit long (45-50 minutes)."
"More in-depth."
"More expository preaching"
"Make it more applicable to daily life"
"Nothing"
"Really knowing people where they are--not what they learned in college. Applications that speak to me and my generation rather than to the members who founded the church. Yes, I want balance for both, but it seems we're leaning much more toward yesterday's crowd and doing nothing for today's"
"Make it a little more alive and easier to understand"
"I would like him to preach longer"
"Nothing. I wish more fundamentalist preaching was like the preaching we here at The Lakes Evangelical Church. It is very much about aligning biblical teaching/perspectives to peoples focus on current events."
"I really like it a lot. My pastor challenges me in my personal spiritual life."
"I believe the preaching is excellent and is adequate to meet the needs of the people."
"Nothing"
"There could be more specific application"
"Nothing"
"Nothing"
"More of it"
"I would make it more practical."
"It was excellent, nothing."
"More illustrations to aid in application."
"More exegetical. I would love to see a deeper look into God's word - not reading one verse and pulling out applications that the author never intended. Nothing that pastor says is heretical - it just seems so on the surface of what the author meant."
"Depth"
"I can't think of anything"
"More topical studies. When he does topical studies, it is really interesting."
"I would focus the congregation on living the Christian life as a result of a relationship with God, rather than many do's and don'ts. The ""Fruit of the Spirit"" is not art . . ."
"There are lots of ""rabbit trails."" I wish it were more focused and easier to follow as well as being deeper."
"Nothing"
"Making the series not too drawn out"
"Nothing"
"We have two services which restrains the time"
"Nothing. He presents a biblical approach to living in today's culture."
"I cannot think of anything. It really is the best preaching I have ever been under."
"More application"
"More exposition"
"More expository"
"Shorter messages in the Sunday a.m. services."
"Nothing"
"Have it be a bit deeper. Some messages seem shallow."
"I don't think I would change anything"
"I wouldn't change it."
"The length. I think occasionally it is too short"
"A wider variety of topics"
"Nothing"
"I would change nothing. I take that back. I would change the fact that we only meet 3 times a week. I love being under the Word of God like never before. My pastor brings to the pulpit what
other fundamentalist preachers should bring. I grew up in a fundamental, Bible believing church, and went"

- "The preacher tends to repeat himself over and over hard to pay attention when he says the same thing 10 times."
- "Absolutely nothing at this present time"
- "Lack of life application/excitement"
- "Only that it would go longer or that we met more often"
- "I wish it would be more life applicable. We just got a new pastor and he feels he needs to review all the Bible doctrines with us, even though most in the church have been there for many years."
- "More centered on Expositional Preaching"
- "More expository, no real direction in the message. Says good things, but there is no organization to it. Seems like he just talks."
- "Relevance or practical application - more of it"
- "Nothing"
- "I wish it were possible to make it sound new to members who have been there for years. When he first came to our church, many would respond publicly to an invitation. Now, it's about one person every six months. I believe our pastor is an excellent preacher, and I can't think of anything I wish were"
- "More exegetical and deeper (at least once in a while)"
- "Nothing"
- "Well, before we got our new pastor it was extremely boring and not at all practical. I have been at school for most of the time the new pastor has been there and I am not familiar enough with it to know what I would like to change."
- "More discipleship oriented rather than just evangelistic"
- "We would learn more about theological truths and then how to apply them rather than learning about practical applications ONLY."
- "It is a new church, so right now he is staying very fundamental and basic. It is nice, because it is practical, but it is a lot of stuff I have heard before growing up in the ministry. It's great to see the way he is reaching people, though, and how the new believers are growing."
- "I'm not sure I would really change anything. I love my pastor's preaching. It is very practical, Biblical, and applicable to my life, and I know many other people appreciate it as well."
- "Nothing, I have been blessed with a God-fearing pastor whose goal is to present the Bible to us."
- "We have several families that are falling apart, but there hasn't been any messages on the home. I would like to see more messages preached to keep more families from falling apart."
- "More depth into Biblical history along w/ application for today"
- "I wish there was perhaps a greater emphasis on evangelism, but there are not any big problems with his preaching"
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- "I would ask for a sermon that would force me to think and search the Scriptures for myself."
- "The material covered. Not broad enough"
- "More direct application"
- "More foundational"
- "I would like to see our pastor preach through a book of the Bible and not use the ""shot-gun"" approach every Sunday."
- "Actually it has just recently change with the transition of the pastorate. Right now the preaching has been enough of a change that our congregation and myself could not properly say it needs to change in some way."
- "More big-idea centered and principle-oriented"
- "Nothing, my pastor preaches straight our of the Bible, often in a series through a book or books. He tells us what the Word says, and then finds practical applications, even rom Leviticus!"
- "Make it more expository"
- "I would appreciate more application to real life and more enthusiasm in presentation. The theological basis that my pastor lays is important, but the style of presentation doesn't keep me real involved. That makes a lack of application even more of a challenge."
"I love it!"
"Deeper Study and Insights"
"I can't say that I would change anything. My pastor preaches what he believes God has laid on his heart, and I wouldn't interfere."
"Based more upon the Word of God rather than taking a verse and implanting man's ideas."
"Nothing."
"My pastor does a wonderful job preaching God's word and guiding us to a personal application, I wouldn't change anything."
"I am not sure that I would change anything at this point."
"Not quite so deep with more personal illustrations"
"My husband would get to preach more. He's very good."
"I am not an expert, so my opinion probably is not very relevent, but I think my pastor does not pull his points strictly from the text. He seems to preach the same main points Sunday after Sunday even though he preaches from different texts. I could be wrong, but I do not think that every passage of"
"I really appreciate the preaching in my church, and I cannot think of anything I want to change."
"Nothing, my pastor is doing a good job."
"Have more application"
"More interesting, more relevant, more about who God is."
"I would like to see a greater emphasis on teaching the Word of God without spending time on ""tangents,"" using the pulpit as a whipping post rather as a place to learn the truths of God's Word and apply them to your life."
"I would have my pastor take a few speach classes to expand his style and vocabulary."
"The only thing I can think of is that when salvation is presented, it is presented unscripturally. Often it is preached that all one has to do to be saved is ""ask Jesus to save you."" Faith is not mentioned, repentence is not mentioned, sometimes the gospel is note mentioned."
"None"
"I just joined the church I am going to so I don't really know enough about it to change it and the church I grew up in is a church I have not been to in awhile so I really don't know"
"Less on the 2nd coming, more preaching on THE REST OF THE BIBLE!"
"Nothing! I believe that my pastor preaches the whole council of God, and yet makes it applicable to each in his congregation. Whenever we have special speakers in, they are very Biblically sound in their preaching. I am very thankful for a pastor that preaches it like it is!"
"More OFTEN! :)"
"Nothing"
"There needs to be heart in the preaching. It seems as if my pastor isn't affected by his own message - why should I? I believe that ministry [preaching] must come as overflow from the preacher's own walk with God - heart."
"Not much at all. Maybe even a little more aware of who could or should be present---unbelievers. But basically some of the best preaching in the world."
"I wouldn't change anything."
"Get into the text more and expose it, and I would not preach salvation every Sunday morning."
"Allow up-and-coming preachers, and laymen to preach in the pulpit to obtain experience and knowledge necessary to equip the saints."
"Nothing"
"I'm not sure I would change anything"
"To be more expositional, to say that is, to allow the text to preach itself through the Holy Spirit and then make applications where necessary."
"More Expository preaching, and less topical preaching."
"I would like to hear something a little different. Sometimes our pastor preaches the same thing in several different ways. Not much new or things I haven't heard a thousand other times."
"Wish it were more bound by the text sometimes. Often a expository thought will be taken from the text and answered and supported by other texts, when the first text has support and answers."
"NOTHING, my pastor is wonderful and every sermon is expository teaching from the Word of God and not from a bunch of stories."
"Sometimes it seems to be aimed at the lowest common denominator. For those who have progressed significantly in their Christian life, there is often not much there for them."
"A little more topical."
"More preaching at the people's problems and lack of Christ likeness"
"If they were a bit stronger against Catholicism since this area is so highly Catholic populated."
"Less rabbit trails to get to the point. It would save 10 minutes in the time of the message."
"Make the messages shorter"
"Not as dry...sometimes I find it difficult to pay attention"
"The polish of the preacher"
"More vision for our church as a whole."
"Nothing"
"Nothing.
"More media involved, more lively"
"Better application"
"Nothing. It is practical, applicable and biblical, as well as interesting."
"Our new pastor has changed it and has made it more applicable for today's Christians to understand what he is bringing across and how to apply it to our lives"
"More emphasis on the responsibility of the believer."
"Deeper, more God focused"
"Include deeper content, never seems to be much more than spiritual "spiritual "milk." I do realize that the reason for this is because of the socioeconomic climate of the church's area -- low income and little education."
"That our pastor would make his sermons applicable to the whole body of believers and preach with passion."
"Nothing"
"I would like for my pastor to be more bold, and speak about the current pressing issues. He's not much on mentionning sin, but lots of love. Doesn't like to rock the boat, but a very mission minded church."
"More Bible"
"I wish it was longer, and I wish I had been under his teaching for far more years than I have been."
"The pastor's delivery should improve. Content and preparation are excellent, but he tends to be monotonous and almost always goes about 15 minutes more than necessary to make his point."
"Provision of helps for note taking (handout, powerpoint etc)"
"A little less lengthy in time."
"Nothing"
"It would be more Bible centered. I get tired of hearing some scripture and mostly illustration. While they say that is how Christ taught I say that we can use the ill. that Christ used and don't have to always have our own. Trust that God's word is strong enough to accomplish what He wants"
"I am comfortable with where it is at."
"Have someone else do it."
"The length of the messages, I think Pastor could work on condensing his messages. He COULD preach in 20 minutes what takes him 45 minutes to an hour if he didn't get sidetracked and repeat himself over and over."
"More acrostics"
"More expository. My pastor growing up was always preaching through different books, but my pastor here does not."
"More focus on how to apply Scripture to day-to-day life."
"My pastor is a great preacher, so I am not sure that I would change anything."
"I would like if it if he would go more in depth phrase by phrase or word by word, so we see in more detail the power of each individual phrase, not just the verse as a whole."
• "Nothing"
• "More based on the Bible. Using more scripture passages instead of focused on application. More about God than about our Christian lives."
• "Longer message to make it more in-depth"
• "Clearer outlines"
• "More study and thought  Better communication skills learned by my pastor"
• "More variety in his preaching."
• "Nothing"
• "It would have a distinct goal it sought to accomplish rather than wide application."
• "More from the pastor."
• "More expository, less topical."
• "I would love for it to be ""Excavational Exposition"" - a thorough digging in and exposing the truths of the text"
• "I believe at times it could be a lot more text centered."
• "Maybe make it a little more exciting. But overall, I love the preaching at my church."
• "Allow the Word to be the exciting revelation of God that it is!"
• "More practical illustrations--my pastor hardly uses any."
• "I would like to see less emphasis on application and more emphasis on accurate understanding of the scripture in context"
• "I would sometimes abolish the power point presentation so we could just focus on the message. Sometimes, not always, I do like the presentations."
• "We've been in the same book for over a year. Although we focus on other parts of scripture as reference and support, it would be nice to be more in depth with more than one book per year/year and a half."
• "There is nothing I believe needs changing."
• "Not enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power."
• "I wish my pastor would do more book studies (ie...Book of Romans, etc)."
• "Nothing - my church has a team of teaching pastors, and all of them bring different gifts and perspectives that are highly challenging to my spiritual growth."
• "Considering the Bible is a narrative, preaching in narrative"
• "I would like to see more depth and content, less illustrations and humor. Preaching can be powerful and life-changing, but still engaging and interesting."
• "It should be directed towards a greater variety of people who make up our church such as singles, elderly, single parents, widows, educated, less educated, etc. Illustrations need to address those people in addition to the middle-class working person with children."
• "More studied and less ""off the chest"" or ""axe-to-grind"" type preaching."
• "More guest speakers"
• "Choose topics/passages that are more practical and relevant to current Christian life and struggles. Preach outside ""the box"", and not be afraid to step on toes or set aside traditional mindsets if they are unbiblical or nonbiblical."
• "Nothing"
• "More expositional  Simple yet all can be fed  More speakers"
• "Eliminate the occasional political biases of the preacher (name-calling, propaganda, etc.)"
Appendix C

Question 43

Choose which statements best describe your beliefs about musical style.

- "Others must see that the worship we offer to God is Holy and Not a product of the world"
- "There are very poor "conservative" hymns as well that detract from the glory of God. They are not enjoyable for the congregation to sing and therefore inhibit worship. Fundamentalists must be just as careful on this end to pick songs that truly give the right opinion of God"
- "Both heart/style question presents a disjunctive fallacy in my opinion. How would we define rock beat? If pulsating beat that drowns out the message and communicates hardness and rebellion, then I'd disagree with "God can be worshipped in most musical styles, even with a rock beat."
- "Heart to the exclusion of head is completely unbiblical. However, the two are not mutually exclusive. Just because a style is conservative does not mean that 'worship' has taken place. If the mind is disengaged time has simply been wasted."
- "Fundamentalists have failed in the field of axiology. Your questions are not very good."
- "I feel there is way too much separation on music as well. This issue is becoming one of THE major hot-button issues to preach and teach on. Unfortunately, I believe men preach on this issue without biblical backing."
- "I think that some of these questions really don't get to the heart of the debate. People debate over this issue without first being honest with themselves, with the historical facts, and with God. They defend it because they like it and they are basing their worship off of their tastes."
- "Whether music is poor in doctrine, quality, or taste, etc. is most of the time independent of whether it has a "rock beat." Christians sensitive to the Holy Spirit and trained in the arts are able to exercise sound judgment regarding music, they don't need bright-line standards, such as whether a s"n"
- "Music is NOT neutral."
- "I do believe that many worship services are man-centered, but the style of music is not always the issue. I believe that the weight of the issue rests in the presentation of worship. Even the most conservatively performed 18th century hymn could be presented in a way that would not glorify God pri"
- "With some CCM styles, if not most, but not all, I find it extremely difficult to focus my heart on God and not on the music. The beat and the style distract from God. I find it best to worship God with conservatively styled music and hymns, giving Him the reverence He deserves. Even if I try to ha"
- "I don't feel it is a sin to listen to God honoring CCM, but only traditional music (hymns) should be sung in churches."
- "Again, this is an issue that fundamental Christians fight, bicker, and condemn each other about to no end. No wonder non-believers are turned off by the lack of unity in the Christian church today."
- "God made people so varied, and gave us creativity. When someone writes a song for God's glory and it is correct doctrinally, I believe that it is acceptable to the Lord."
- "I have not come to a conclusion on the music stand, I am still learning, I desire to come to my own conclusion and not listen to a type of music because of what others say. However because my school holds to a standard I am obedient to that standard, in order to not be disobedient to authority."
- "There is a line and we need to be careful to keep it, but we also don't need to major on the minors so much. Just because someone sang it that you don't approve of doesn't make it a bad song!"
- "This is an issue that I am not 100% settled on. I have grave concerns with the ccm movement, but where the line should be drawn is the great question."
- "I think that Christian rap and heavy metal is not good music. It's not music, it is just noise and it sounds painful, not joyful."
- "I listen to CCM and feel that I can adequately defend my position biblically."
• "Much of CCM today waters down the gospel. The musical style (contemporary or traditional) doesn't matter, but a lot of CCM today has a lot of watered down theology. The watered-down lyrics where you can't tell the music is Christian, is a concern."

• "There is a stricter line that I would hold for music that I would use in my church. I would be a little more flexible when it comes to judging other's standards if there was room for opinion. I would still be firm on Biblical principles."

• "Rock beat is a pathetic word. These questions aren't geared very well."

• "While holding the line, fundamentalists should explore the vastness of contemporary music--there is some good out there."

• "It is difficult to say which style God prefers since Scripture is silent on this issue. However, there are guiding principles in God's Word about His character that can help us make a decision about which style honors God."

• "These are gray area statements. In regards to music I am not sure what God expects with regard to ""style"" but content should be God-centered as opposed to man-centered."

• "What do you mean by rock beat?"

• "While I personally do not appreciate CCM or rock music in my worship, I am concerned that some people think that, as long as they DON'T have CCM or rock music in their worship, that they MUST be worshipping and acceptable before God. What I mean to say, is that whether a person is personally bothered"

• "I would insert the word ""some"" instead of the word ""most"" in statement #7."

• "I believe that there should never be CCM performed in fundamentalist churches, but I have run into the problem in some churches, that just because it is not in the hymnal, or written by the Wilds or Soundforth that it is wrong. That I do NOT agree with."

• "There is danger, but ""the line"" needs to be dropped and picked up with biblical/textual discernment--some of these questions are too loaded to be answered, don't want to be miscontrued--fundamentalists who separate (based on association) must give strong consideration to the historically pervers"

• "Don't know what the CCM movement was. I believe that fundamentalists should not associate with any organization or person who does not conform to biblical principles and beliefs."

• "Many are driven away when they are presented people's preferences as if they are God's standard from the Scriptures. Like those who heard the boy ""cry wolf"" our ears are deafened to other things we hear from those same people."

• "I believe we should cling to the kind of music that is most excellent and that we should avoid styles that imitate worldly styles. I also believe, however, that a person who has not studied the issue or who disagrees with me is capable of glorifying God with a song I would not endorse. God cares more."

• "Though God does care more about the heart than the style, the style must reflect God's person and holiness."

• "1) There is a danger in the music of both mainstream evangelicals and fundamentalists in that it is too often man-centered. 2) Some styles are not appropriate for corporate worship."

• "None of these statements reflect my view. Christian music must be an exposition of Scripture (ex. Handel). The music used in any Christian song must be a slave to the text. Both Evangelicals and Fundamentalists have missed the boat on this one. Music is not ""conservative,"" ""strict,"" ""liberal,"" or """

• "Music is somewhat cultural, music that is wrong in America may not be wrong in Africa or Asia."

• "I believe there is a difference between music listened to privately and music sung/played in church for the purpose of worshipping God."

• "I personally believe that secular music is fine, as well as sacred. I do not believe the two should not be combined, to keep the worship of God different than the entertainment of the world."

• "God is concerned about the music style, but it is obvious from Scripture that even the right music style can be performed incorrectly if the heart is not in the right place."

• "God's will must be done God's way, so worship of God must be done God's way, not oriented toward man's feelings."
• "I believe that music is all relative. Many people say that a certain type of music is wrong (CCM for example) because those styles are rooted in rock music. However, the taste of these individuals may tend toward Southern Gospel whose roots are in country music. I do not understand what the difference"

• "Music is a very big part of our churches. My only concern is that the people performing are not performing for God's glory. You do not have to play just a piano on a slow, meditative song to give God the glory"

• "For whatever reason, the most Fundamental music sources (Majesty, the Wilds) tend to put out (in my opinion) the cheesiest music. Very emotional, experiential, and opinion based. I listen to Classical, hymns, instrumental hymns, and a very narrow segment of CCM, and some does include drums. I do"

• "I believe that there is a difference in what we can use in church as a whole congregation and what we can use personally to worship the Lord, because different experiences breed different types of reactions to different styles of music."

• "There is danger in contemporary music, but one needs to have more than a conviction, or a twisted piece of scripture to condemn someone else."

• "I believe that what I choose to listen to is good music. However, due to the concern that it could be a stumbling block to those with backgrounds similar to the author of the book, "Why I left the CCM Movement", I would never bring some of the CCM that I believe is okay (5% of all that is out there)"

• "Music is tough to say "yes"/"no" to. Much of what we will experience will be done on a song to song basis. For instance I think a conservative version of "Thy Word" (Michael W. Smith) is acceptable while a conservative version of "Flood" (Jars of Clay is probably not. At this point it is tough to"

• "I believe that there are some people using CCM who are singing it to glorify God. I do believe care needs to be taken in music, and while it is possible to worship God, even with a rock beat, it is extremely unlikely to truly occur. I think most CCM groups focus more on the performers than on God. Go"

• "I believe that God is very specific in the way He wants His people to worship him. Believers must be very careful in the way they promote a manner of worship."

• "Some CCM is good, some not."

• "Romans 14:22-23. If the music honors who God is (His precepts) and you can use it privately with a clear conscience, then do it. But if there is any doubt, whether you doubt that the music honors God's precepts or that don't have a clear conscience, then it's sin for you to listen to it. Also, if yo"

• "None of these options address the issue of why one should not use CCM in the church. It is not about associations or what we can/cannot do. It is about what music styles communicate and whether the meaning of certain kinds of music is compatible with the message we are trying to bring across (i.e.,"

• "I would say that CCM is not necessarily wrong to listen to. There is plenty of music that I would say is fine for a person to listen to for enjoyment. However, I do believe that not all music is acceptable for worship. When we come together for congregational worship we focus on the attributes an"

• "There are so many issues that come into play when discussing music whether it be the issue of only listening to christian music or the place for secular (which does include classical!"music. The best balance I have found is to study the holiness of God and then to only listen to something you would"

• "I do believe that God cares more about your heart than the music, but if a believer truly desires to please God then He will show them the right kind of music that is honoring to Him."

• "much of the contemporary music is not deep theologically. But there are also many hymns that are not theologically sound. I want to listen to music that is God-centered and Biblical."

• "The message of the song must be the convicting force, not the music. I feel music should be kept as simple as possible so believers can focus on praising God rather than being moved by the music."
"I'm not sure if I would define music style as completely neutral, as some cultural (not specific personal) associations might hinder worship. Ultimately, however, those associations are temporary, not eternal, and will eventually become irrelevant."

"I honestly believe that if the music is pleasing to everyone, not just a few of the people then it is fine. I think that it should uplift the name of the Lord, and you should be able to understand what the artist is saying clearly."

"I believe that fundamentalists need to hold the line, but many ""fundamentalists"" have become somewhat narrow-minded"

"There is a difference in personal music style preference (i.e. what I listen to at home) and what I think is appropriate at church. Worship music must be more carefully considered than what I personally listen to."

"This is a very important and touchy issue. As a (hopefully) future music pastor, I see many dangers in a wide acceptance of new styles that reflect the world's value system. As music reflects one's inner value system, the music of a believer, especially in worship, should be God-centered (not man-"

"Music in the church should include inward worship and outward worship but you have to be careful that your not worshipping out of the flesh."

"let the words of the song be theological, and avoid making the music part of the song undermine the meaning and the purpose of the song"

"We cannot know biblically whether musical style is moral or amoral. Therefore, it's best to avoid dogmatism in this area."

"Having been in Israel for some time, I find it hard to believe that David had no rhythm in his music. Music is neutral, just as the alphabet is. It is how you use it that makes it edifying or harmful."

"Balance on this issue is the key. We need to keep worldly influences out of the church, but also be careful not to try to be holier than the Lord."

"I believe that music for worship of God should be conservative. We don't have to use all the latest musical styles, because the focus of our worship is God, not ourselves. However, music for personal enjoyment outside the church does not have to follow as strict of a guideline."

"The problem with the music did not begin with CCM, rather its root began during the enlightenment. For at this time the Folk culture (which later Popular culture over took) and High culture divided. Thus, I would consider the rival music of the Moody era just as detrimental as the contemporary music o"

"This is such a delicate issue. So many churches that fail to hold the line in this area go down the tubes."

"I think that where the Bible is silent then men shouldn't say ""thus saith the Lord"". A shepard has the responsibility of leading his sheep as God directs, but don't assume that God directs all flocks/shepards the same. I would say that I am worried about younger fundamentalists throwing out the good"

"NOTE: The style is an out working of the heart. The problem comes (God looks on heart argument) when people's style is right, but their heart is wrong."

"I believe that fundamentalists need to emphasize discernment and walking in the Spirit instead of giving young people a list of rules and qualifications. Sermons on this issue often become a legalistic list of ""do's"" and ""don'ts"" instead of teaching solid Biblical principles."

"There is not one particular way to worship in music that is the only right way. Just because CCM came up with some truly awesome music doesn't mean we should brand it and say that we will never use that. A style that is appealing to the flesh is not going to glorify God, but one cannot say, for exam"

"I struggle with this -- where taste comes in and affects the decision of people is a hard line to discover."

"Musical style is a language of emotions. Why would we sing songs that send mixed messages(one with our words and the other our style)?"

"These questions are worded and constructed to reveal only the external drift that has taken place in our circle and not the reason for those changes. I think that this issue cannot be explicitly
described from God's point of view since He did not address it in the Word. However there are principle

- "Music can be an evangelistic tool to bring lost people to Christ, because music is a universal concept that appeals to all nations, cultures, and ages. God made music diverse and gave each person their initial preference for certain types of music. We should use that to reach different people, not"
- "Americans make way too big of a deal about music. People in cultures all over the world worship the Lord in a myriad of different ways, but I think that if some Africans came to do the music from their church in an American church they would have a heart attack, but it is very worshipful and is thei"
- "I am not sure what Fundamentalists say about music, so I can't answer all of the questions."
- "There is a gray area. But CCM artists tend not to stay away from the carnal side."
- "There is less of a distinction between style and heart than most people realize. A soul that is ordered--a heart that loves the right things--knows when it is confronted with a style that exalts the wrong things or evokes the wrong emotions concerning the right things. A person's heart is revealed"
- "I believe that there should be a difference in my personal music standards and what is used in church. I think that the music in churches needs to be more reverent than my ""everyday"" music. I am fine with listening to ""secular"" music at home and also listen to select CCM artist (depending on testimo"
- "There must be a careful balance"
- "I have been greatly encouraged as i have worshipped with the music of many ccm artists"
- "How come so many questions about a movement are about a believer's personal standards. These questions reveal what has caused fundamentalism to be fled by so many. A focus on standards first, rather than striving first for a theology grounded in the Word which then leads to righteous living by fai"
- "I don't necessarily have a problem using a good, theologically rich song written by a CCM artist as long as it is performed in a traditional, conservative manner."
- "The ""music is neutral"" argument is bunk, cf. Neil Postman. However, Fundamentalists need to be aware that there is leeway for application. I won't say that ""most"" of what they say is wrong is not wrong, ""some"" of what they say is wrong is not wrong. But we certainly have the obligation to judge what"
- "I know I put a paradox up there in my choices -- there are bad styles (not necessarily ""moral"") in that the very combination of instruments, tones, etc would constitute a sin if found on the planet MARS!). I do believe that there is something to be said for pragmatic and associational sensibilities."
- "Music must be cultuirally and subculturally defined as to its morality!"
- "I think you must evaluate for yourself what you will believe. Many times growing up you are feed what are ""Good types"" of music and you grow up not knowing why. I think you must live by your conscience. Some of us are part of the weak christians described in the N.T. and the strong christians need t"
- "God can be worshipped in some (not most) musical styles (e.g., classical, hymnodic, the ""Lynch-Hamilton"" style, praise and worship style). Personally, I believe that,unfortunately, the praise and worship style is overused in some arenas so that a constant inundation of this style will ultimately, I"
- "Music is moral, and should be regarded as such. we need to seperate from the CCM movement and churches that use there music in worship. Certain instruments are associated with ccm or rock music and should not be used in the church, and facial expressions and body movements can also carry an immoral"
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and not sing a song with a good message that was sung by a CCM artist, if it is performed tastefully"

- "With respect to Q43-5 I would maintain that the style of music, what the song sounds like, does not the make the music right or wrong. Rather, it is the effect that it has on a person. If it causes a person to sin, ""cut it off"". Music itself cannot be sinful or righteous. It is a language that c"

- "Like the ""KJV issue,"" music is another issue that should not be a defining factor in ""what it means to be a Fundamentalist"

- "I think that many fundy's are stuck on what they heard growing up. Musical style has always evolved and morphed into other things, and new styles come and go, the words remain, and the style changes. The message of a song is conveyed by a combination of the music and the words, and a great song will"

- "Fundamentalists need to be careful about the music however one can reach extremes either way. To say a song is bad because it does not sound like a hymn is ignorant. People are free to have their own ""opinion"" regarding this. If the lyrics are doctrinally sound and the music is not too far-fetched"

- "There is no place for CCM in a true fundamentalist church!!"

- "Since I grew up with traditional Christian music, most ""contemporary"" Christian music violates my conscience, and I don't listen to it. However, I don't believe that it's inherently wrong, and I would not condemn someone else for using it. (It's fine to have a high personal standard, but I think it"

- "We need to be writing more music. Many of our ""traditional"" hymns are full of bad theology--yet we sing them because they are old."

- "All the arguments regarding music are subjective. Music is a 1 Corinthians 8 issue. (However, most fundamentalists wrongly exegete this passage so it is misunderstood.)"

- "each congregation and each person must continually check themselves against scripture to see if the use of particular music is beneficial for them and their church. Thus all music is open season. The use is determined by the individual and congregation. The foundation is the edification of the sai"

- "My thinking about this area is more complex than can be indicated in the questions above."

- "I believe there should be a difference in the music I listen to personally and the music I use to worship God. Also, when I say that the theology is the most important part of a song, that doesn't mean that I would agree with a song with super heavy rock beat but still has ""a good message"". Message"

- "Contemporary Christian music should not be an issue in churches. Perhaps years ago when the ""great hymns of the faith"" were first written, they were controversial too. The fundamentalists are fighting a losing battle. They need to understand the concept of CULTURAL RELEVANCE. The use of CCM helps th"

- "I feel we need to be careful not to sound like the world in our churches. After all this is a time to worship a Holy God and should be reverent in style. However I am not opposed to music in my home or on the radio that may have more of a beat. Christian rock however is too far for me."

- "I believe fundamentalist's concerns about God-honoring music are well founded and, for the most part, biblically-based. However, I also see some placing an undue amount of emphasis on this issue. Seems to me that in most cases, if a church body is concerned about pleasing God, and the people and pas"

- "in regard to the heart vs. style issue, I truly believe that if a person's heart is right with God, then the music they listen to or sing will reflect their heart, or at least it should."

- "I would agree that there is danger is what we term as CCM, but what do we define as CCM? Mainstream Christian music has real problems and does not, in my opinion, glorify God. However, there needs to be a definition on what falls under CCM. I am not ready to throw the baby out with the bath water just"

- "Style in music is often a reflection of what's in the heart. There is a difference between modern praise and worship type of songs and other contemporary music that is indistinguishable from its non-Christian counterpart (i.e.--rock, rap, hip-hop, alternative, etc.)"
• "That second question is quite funny. Many of the ""traditional"" Hymns are song to music composed by homosexuals, drug addicts, and drunks. And many of our Hymns are bar songs that have been reworded."

• "A good balance of style is appropriate. All music should be Christ-centered regardless of style."

• "I believe music can be used for evil, but what most fundamentalists call wrong is based on preference, not biblical standard. I do feel that little if any ""CCM"" is acceptable for church use. Worship of God does not depend on our aesthetic desires. God does desire an appropriate form of worship, and"

• "We need to balance not offending our fellow believers and remembering the concept of the lowest common denominator with the truth that no one culture has a monopoly on ""good music.""

• "What is suitable for congregational worship and what is suitable for personal worship may be different (i.e. different style at home or in car than in church)."

• "Too many services (at churches, and Christian schools and colleges alike) are including the more contemporary music styles, albeit from people within our circles. Our ""conservative"" music and hymns are becoming quite loose and contemporary. Often, it is hard to decipher the melody in too many off's"

• "this is so mixed. I think fundamentalists should be sensitive to consciences of others to not offend, however, I don't see a problem with singing a doctrinally sound song that has lyrics meeting God's standard of excellence vs the world's"

• "I don't know what most fundamentalist's say about CCM but I do believe there should be a line that is not crossed. It may be different in different churches."

• "I have to say God cares about the heart more than the style but I do believe He cares about the style!"

• "conservative music tends to do a better job than CCM in some areas of worship, but in other areas some CCM does better."

• "The 2/4 beat has no inherent evil to it, but neither is music ""amoral."" Music communicates cultures' assigned morality, so caution is absolutely essential."

• "we are called to be separate. I believe that if the heart is right, then the ""style"" will follow. I pray for, and rely on those pastors whom God has equipped to choose (in submission to God) the proper music which is most Glorifying to God. At the same time, those who place so called ""Christian"""

• "How can a beat be inherently evil? I don't get it. I agree that most CCM is not bringing glory to the One they're singing about, but I don't understand what makes one type of music ""bad"" and another ""good."

• "Here I go to the sincerity issue. There are some truly saved individuals who sincerely worship God in a sensual or worldly style. They are attempting to worship, and may even feel as if they have drawn closer in their worship, but they have sincerely worshiped God in a spirit of error."

• "I can't really fully explain my belief, but I believe that there is some music that should be directly designed to worship God, and that there is other music that is for our own enjoyment (that should not be played in church) that may or may not talk about God or spiritual things, but that as long a"

• "balance"

• "I believe that many fundamentalists are going too close to the CCM line, however I believe that some are so conservative that they neglect some good music that may be a little ""southern"" in style. Trust me I am not talking about the typical ""Southern Gospel"" which is really country music but I am s"n

• "To quote Rick Warren - ""There are no biblical notes."" Psalm 149:3a - ""Let them praise his name in the dance..."" Don't know why worship could include God-honoring dancing, but not percussion?"

• "Fundamentalists are way too uptight about their music standards and often so hard-nosed about it that they will not even engage in a meaningful debate of the matter. It is black and white to them. They fail to see the many inconsistencies in their own reasoning behind their musical standards."

• "Worship in spirit and truth!"
"Fundamentalists have often been inconsistent with their own arguments. They are unwilling to apply their own arguments to their own music. I believe what is being published by Fundamentalist institutions is little better than CCM or Praise & Worship."

"A distinction must be made between what is appropriate in church and what is appropriate in one's personal life. Both areas need standards, but Church music should be held to a higher standard than personal music."

"Often the line fundamentalists hold to they are not able to reasonably and lovingly declare their views. This issue has gray areas that are too often stomped on and the point is missed in both traditional and contemporary churches."

"We should offer God our best, and nearly all of CCM is shoddy verse and shabby music. But so are a lot of the songs from the 19th century. There are worlds of other good music that we should choose instead--the tunes of Ralph Vaughn Williams and old German hymns and musical settings of verse by Her"

"There is an important distinction between music used in corporate worship and casual listening. I have a broader view of what is acceptable casually than I do with what is used in corporate worship."

"I am currently studying this issue indepth since I will soon be joining a church planting team to establish the children's ministries in churches. I think many ""fundamentalists"" have ""thrown out the baby with the bath water"" and yet, I think many more evangelical people have been non-discriminatory"

"Bad question and somewhat leading."

"In other words, there is a definite line that should be kept, but exactly where that line is takes much discernment and will be differ even in fundamentalism."

"I have studied this issue at least as much as any of my friends (both Bible students and fine arts students, graduate and undergraduate) and I am convinced that the real issues get overlooked many times. I also believe that pastors are better leaders in the area of music morality than most church mu"

"I am uncomfortable with much of the music I hear in fundamentalist churches. Many fundamentalist pastors do not teach enough on this issue, and when they do teach, they are often ignorant of how cultural meaning changes. I believe that the cultural meaning determines morality, and the morality of a"

"Fundamentalist spend WAY too much time focusing on the little issues like music and it just creates unnecessary dissention."

"I believe that there is appropriate music to worship God, and then that there is FUN music. I don't think that the two should be mixed. But most fundamentalists condemn fun music too--this is where I completely disagree. In church, I think that the music needs to honor and glorify God."

"Stuck in the middle. Frustrated with traditional hymns full of great spiritual truth but can't be understood by the common people because of archaic words & uncomfortable to throw them out and accept the contemporary praise & worship. A careful mix would be effective but some members would have a"

"Even in Fundamental churches, music styles are leaning--ever so slightly--toward worldly styles."

"I do believe there is such a thing as a wrong musical style. However, I also have listened to a few ""CCM"" artists whose musical ability is far above their conservative counterparts and their words are theologically acurate - I have no problems listening to that music in my home. If it offends people!"

"Worship in spirit and in truth-John 4:24. Don't draw lines where God's Word has not drawn lines. Don't make music the determiner of spirituality or the only way we talk about worship."

"Musical style is not neutral, however, there are more options available for use in worship than most Fundamentalists would allow for."

"Music Words need to utilize Godly Style to stir the affections of the heart. You sing songs that have the most meaning to you and that have your favorite ""beat"" (style). Christians need a Strong base for Style AND Words. Most traditional songs used by fundamentalism today are trite and childish."
"WHOA! Okay. Although I think some stripes of fundamentalism have read into scripture and placed regulations on actions that are probably not directly biblical, I am deeply concerned with young fundamentalists who whole-heartedly embrace and fight for their rights to do want they want. The need in you"

"I believe that music is a huge issue in churches today. As there are no direct statements saying, thou shalt not...it is difficult to fight over with someone. Music does not decide salvation. I can agree to disagree with others. I believe music should honor the Lord first and foremost. You must"

"I think that having a line is great but we must also be careful about how much we push that line on others"

"Not to stand upon a soap box, but if a fundamentalist would like to speak on music, he should make sure he is speaking within the context of the passage he is preaching on."

"CCM is wrong because it mixes the spiritual with the secular. That is the only reason. Our worship should be spiritual. Personal enjoyment does not have to be spiritual, however."

"I believe that music, both words and the music itself, should honor God. He has set examples in the Bible of good and bad music, and how we should choose. I do not believe, however, that because someone who is contemporary wrote or performed a song, the song is excluded from use among fundamentalists."

"The question should never be how we want to worship God. Rather, we should strive to worship God the way He desires and deserves to be worshipped."

"As one who has been raised a fundamentalist, and then led by God into the Southern Baptist Convention, I have definitely seen where CCM is used by God to bring people to Christ. One of the arguments used by those opposing CCM is that music is never to be used as an evangelistic tool. I believe that."

"I think that music should avoid a worldly sound as much as possible, but what matters most is the substance and depth of the lyrics. Music should be spiritually edifying."

"Standards that are not in the Bible SHOULD NOT be preached as if they were from the Bible. Sanctification by the Spirit takes Christians to a point where they need to be in music-most do not respond to harsh standards placed on them."

"Well written, well executed music, no matter the genre, will bring glory to God so long as biblical teaching is laid as a foundation. Fundamentalists all too often react to musical issues out of blind faith or willful ignorance."

"The question on association is a new one for me. I have probably already been on the mission field to long to know what this battle is about."

"God cares about our worship and how we present it. The Bible is full of principles like "be not conformed to this world..." in choosing the style of music."

"I believe Fund. are careless in general in how they view church music. Often it is liturgical, with no meaning or teaching value to the congregation, even when it comes to many hymns. We are beginning to see some excellent "new Hymns" written by some Christian men and women who desire to exalt the"

"There is danger in CCM, but fundamentalists are way too obsessed with the issue and have gone way overboard in their supposed standards. They are best defined as reactionary."

"I believe that one must be able to understand the message of the song in order to know if it is a God glorifying song. But I understand that the ability to hear the words amidst certain kinds of music differs from person to person. I also take into account an artist's public testimony & Christian walk."

"I believe that while some CCM (biblically accurate and God-focused) may be allowable for personal use, it should be refrained from in the church setting. There is room for personal decision here."

"Praise and worship from olden days are okay but you do neet to set guidelines in your church as wheter or not to sing As the Dear or etc."

"It needs to be in line with Biblical doctrine"
• "I strongly believe that as the Holy Spirit grows a Christian, He most definitely will work on this issue as well. However, the leaders of the church in the area of music have the responsibility to maintain a godly standard of music, so long as it is constantly checked for making sure that it is not"
• "The Bible is not definitive about what styles are good or bad so we should not claim to have a definitive answer about this question. The stylistic argument may be valid but it isn't applied to the other areas of the arts."
• "Music is not morally neutral. Music that causes an individual to sin (emotionally, sexually) should not be listened to. Music used in church worship should be fairly conservative and God-centered. Music for personal entertainment—such as should have and employ personal convictions based on God"
• "The words are the first thing that should be evaluated. The music itself is not morally wrong, but every style has its place. The music needs to be appropriate to the lyrics. If the music provides a distraction to the lyrics, then it is an inappropriate song."
• "You need to be careful with musical choices, but I believe some poorly written music can be redone to be a great means to worship God. Modern people do not always need to sing songs that were written hundreds of years ago."
• "There is danger in much of the contemporary music today, BUT fundamentalists ARE CONTINUING to hold the WRONG line."
• "I found these statements too exclusive. I think discretion and wisdom should be used in choosing songs written by those we would not associate with. I don't think it never matters, and equally, I don't think it is always wrong or right."
• "I think that the music we use in our churches out to be reflective of the character of our God. In other words, musical style should not be the style of ungodly, anti-Christian artists simply to draw people in. I think, however, that having fresh music that glorifies God is very necessary. Boring, d"
• "The style matters as much as the words. In order to truly worship God, we must praise Him by means appropriate to His person and work: what pleases Him, not what please us."
• "A false balance is abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is his delight. In all matters of the Christian life, we need to strive for balance. To say that one cannot worship God with other styles besides classical traditional is ludicrous. Try going to a foreign land and "westernizing" it with o"
• "CCM is wrongfully based on self-centered "good feelings" in its glorification of God. However, music in Fundamental churches has gone the polar opposite: Almost gnostic-like, the music has become stagnant and methodical, careful not to awaken the God-given ability to worship through music."
• "Most of CCM is just a copy of the world and an attempt to make money and be famous rather than to minister to other believers. While not all of it is bad, it should be carefully evaluated before it is used—music and text."
• "The reason this is such a contentious issue is because the Bible doesn't clearly define the guidelines for music and consequently *references* in Scripture to music have been used to back up musical preferences."
• "This is one of the greatest battlegrounds in Fundamentalism right now. If we do not win this battle, we will lose many of the others that we are fighting. The entertainment industry and parental allowance have caused our kids to be influenced by the world on matters of style and taste, not the Bib"
• "I enjoy Southern Gospel and CCM, and some classical-type sacred music. However, in ever "class" you have to be cautious. Prove all things!"
• "This topic in my mind heavily depends on the differences between corporate worship and individual worship. I know that music has different effects and connotations based on one's particular convictions. What I listen to in regards to Christian music in my car is not what I would want to have in my"
Appendix D
Question 58

If you could change one thing about the Christian school movement, what would you change?

- "The kids must learn to walk with God, none of this apathetic, unsaved acting kids"
- "They need to pay their teachers better. The vouchers program would be a great help."
- "Provide more adequate teachers with better training."
- "I would allow only one chapel per month and either no Bible class or Bible class 1 time per week. Right now our kids are spiritually obese. They need to be starved before they will hunger for God. I would let prospective parents know that the reason Christian school exists is to give a Christian worldview at every level and in every subject. I would emphasize integrating disciplines and forcing st"
- "Careful watch over enrollment policies - they play a crucial role in the atmosphere of the school."
- "Have more strict guideline to acceptance into the school."
- "I wish that there was more emphasis on seeing the students become more Christlike rather than just giving good academics."
- "That we would be serious about teaching practical theology."
- "Wrong ideologies in purpose. The Christian School movement as a whole has not succeeded in training young people for life as a Christian. It has become in too many places a less secularized place to educate children. Most graduate without knowing their Bible or why they 'believe' what they have been taught. This is due in part to a pervasive element of New Evangelicalism and the whole ""Christian Li"
- "The Bible curriculum in most schools is at about the level of 2nd grade Sunday School class. There needs to be a greater investment in educating teachers for true Christian education . . . That is, education that is not just science or English from a Christian perspective, but everything in life through the lense of the Word"
- "I would change the fact that in most Christian school, they will allow any student attend. Some people think of a Christian school as a private school and enroll their child with behavioral problems that has been dismissed from another school. I think that Christian schools should in a way consider who the accept and not turn their school into a facility for troubled kids."
- "There is far too much isolationism and far too much assumption. Just because there are kids that confess Christ and attend church in the school in no way means that they are not struggling with usual temptations to sin."
- "the unhealthy emphasis on keeping certain rules in order to be a good christian"
- "Emphasize faculty knowing the kids on a personal basis and knowing their hearts. Too much of the movement thinks kids are ok, when in reality many kids are unsaved or apathetic."
- "In my Christian high school's Bible classes, the teachers relied too heavily on Bible class textbooks that dealt with ""issues"" rather than doctrine. I would train Christian high school students in the Bible and in doctrine, that training is a necessary prerequisite to dealing with ""issues."""
- "The view that the public schools aren't harming our children. That Christian education IS important."
- "I would like to see staff members meeting a strict criteria of academic experience -- a college degree in education."
- "The misinterpretation of ""be not conformed to this world"". I feel that Fundamentalism abuses this passage of Scripture. So much focus is put on externals, not internals. ""Love not the world"" means ""love not the ideology of the world"". Given, certain things such as dress, music, speech, show forth worldly, man-centered thinking, which is sin, however, just because the world wears levi jeans do"
- "bring in more special speakers for chapel"
"Spiriutallity should be encouraged, but not at the cost of a good education. Too many times, my class was cancelled because chapel went too long. Too many times the kids that attended the church that ran the school were given "grace" periods by the teachers. Also, I don't believe that a church should run a school. The church and the school should be two separate entities. A church can contribute"

"lack of direction"

"It seems ironic that the movement that was supposed to help produce a new generation of young Christian leaders has almost completely failed to do so. So many people that graduate from Christian school seem only interested in getting a good job and making lots of money. Why is that?"

"The education of the majority of teachers in the Christian school."

"They are concerned about protecting them from the world and training them to please people, and not reaching the heart and training them to please God, From what I have seen, Some students rebel when they graduate because they have had a bad heart attitude the whole time. Students need to be impacted from the inside out, not from the outside appearance."

"stop being so fake and teach kids real Christianity, not a set of rules. It's about honoring God, not keeping a bunch of rules."

"I would have weekly sessions with students who exhibit little or no spiritual growth."

"hypocrisy. but is that really possible? they're too much in their own little bubble."

"the assumption that the students are all Christians"

"I don't really know about it." 

"The isolationism from the world that makes it seem as if the world doesn't need the gospel."

"Christian schools need to be Christian schools. I believe that the rules need to be enforced. Not just said there will be consequences for certain things, but actually disciplining the children who do these things that they should not do."

"The rules seem to focus on the outer man, but rarely is any attempt made to work on the heart and develop spiritual maturity."

"Some Christian schools need to drop Christian from their name. Also, Christian schools should not be reform schools--they should take students with a heart for God."

"not sure. i don't know that much about it."

"Allow less kids who were kicked out of a public school."

"Greater focus on theological training for life, as it applies to life. More spiritual emphasis."

"The ridiculous rules. My sister goes to a Christian school and has to put up with a lot of those rules."

"too isolated from the world. many in christian schools cannot interact with unsaved."

"More Bible based, conservative but not legalistic" 

"The constant conflict with the local churches it serves."

"The theology driving it"

"I don't have enough knowledge on this subject."

"closed enrollment. It bottles the people up and keeps them from reaching out. There needs to be open enrollment so that the church can be evangelistic in the endeavor."

"There must be more of an emphasis on outreach. We are to be in the world and not of the world. Not completely removed from the world or totally immersed in the world. Reasons must be given for rules that are set, then discipleship and accountability must follow. A genuine love for all students must be conveyed by the teachers and administration."

"They need to focus more on conviction based rules. A child shouldn't have to wear a dress or a dress shirt to school everyday. There is nothing unbiblical about that, they are just rules for the sake of having rules, and too many of those will cause a reverse affect on the students. Yes they are supposed to dress different than the world dresses, but that doesn't mean they have to look like little"

"Most don't seem to truly reach the students of today's culture. Most fundamentalist schools are out of touch with what today's teens face, even our teens from fundamentalist backgrounds."

"Creating a "bubble" atmosphere that insulates young people from truly impacting unbelievers for Christ"
• "The quality of staff"
• "It destroys youth groups. Definitely wouldn't have it in my church."
• "The tendency in the movement seems to be pragmatic at times. Although it is expensive, Christian schools need to have proper facilities, qualified faculty, and a desire to pursue excellence in all areas (academics, athletics, fine arts)"
• "It needs to come back to the reason it was founded - to send an army of young people into the world to evangelize and disciple through ministry. Instead, it serves to move young people one more step from the battlefront."
• "Cost!"
• "Teach more doctrine. Baptists are one of the least educated denominations on doctrine."
• "Schools are too expensive for many middle class Christian families, especially with more than one child."
• "Law driven standards that often clashes with the values and standards of their own parents and churches."
• "I don't know too much about the specifics of the movement itself, I do know that many of the k-12 Christian schools I've seen in my region of the US are poor in academics, which is a huge set-back for the future generations of Christian churches, furthermore, they are sometimes so small that, especially on the high school level, the kids have no social options and are often worse off morally, or a"
• "Put the focus where it should be--on the heart."
• "I'm not sure that the Christian school movement is fixable. I believe the idea behind it was honorable, but Christian instruction is the job of the family and the church, not the school."
• "Parents need to take the responsibility for the spiritual growth of their children instead of leaving it all on the Christian school."
• "Christian schools should not be used for evangelism...by this I mean, allowing all the ""rough"" kids to attend because they can hear the Gospel. I would try to encourage more solid families to put their children in."
• "Unify like minded Christian schools in order to enable higher salaries thus attracting better qualified teachers...let's face it...many Christian schools have incompetent teachers."
• "1. Use curriculum that allows strong writing habits to be encouraged. A Beka curriculum does not teach their students how to write properly. 2. Using textbooks that aren't Christian are okay for certain subjects (and may even give a better education). The classes would still be taught from a Christian perspective, but with a stronger academic focus. 3. No more busy work (with work sheets, etc.)"
• "I'm not sure that the Christian school movement is fixable. I believe the idea behind it was honorable, but Christian instruction is the job of the family and the church, not the school."
• "I would end it entirely on a elementary and high school level. I believe it causes problems for almost all churches (or worse are unconnected to churches). It hinders adolescent evangelism. It creates cliches in youth groups. It makes an uncrossable gap between individuals in the church...as if schooling preference were meant to divide the body of Christ (or as if one could be more spiritual t"
• "The lack of outreach to the community because so many students graduate without a heart for the lost and are too wrapped up in their own little world."
• "The only thing I would change is the way AACS uses their finances."
• "the heart is mostly not there for the students, a lot of students don't really want to be there, and therefore, they don't take to heart the rules and have little or no desire for the things of the Lord"
• "Teach students how to study in general"
• "Anemic bible curriculum, teach systematic, hermeneutics, church history, apologetics. These things can never be started too soon. also, school should not predominate over the home. wouldn't need to be attached to a church"
• "I would make the school a separate entity, not a ministry of one particular church. The church school takes away from the priority of the church in winning the lost. Instead the priority becomes educating Christian kids."
• "Tuition for all students would be paid for in some way. The opportunity to learn and grow into a godly man or woman should not be restricted by the lack of financial position."
• "Stronger emphasis on the future of the kids"
• "The people of the church need to be more involved with the ministry of the school. Even if they do not have children in the school, this is a vital ministry of the church and should have involvement of the people in the church."
• "My generation needs heart not conformity."
• "Not sure."
• "Stop it."
• "I was blessed in the Christian school that I attended. I did not see any thing that I would change within the school."
• "I would make sure that the school is a ministry of the church in the fact that they emphasize the same things and are doctrinally harmonious. There would be heavy emphasis on discipleship. I would be pickier about the teachers I hired."
• "Biblical philosophy"
• "1) Schools with open-enrollment policies. 2) Christian schools ought not to replace the parent's responsibility of discipleship."
• "The mentality that the school raises the child while the parents sit blindly by doing nothing towards cultivating Christ-likeness in the children."
• "The apathy that so many of the students have. It isn't real to them anymore."
• "Academics need to be stressed more than they are because Christians should have a standard of excellence."
• "the philosophy of extreme separation I would start a Christian school for younger kids to get a head start in thinking Biblically, so that they could go to public schools and be a light."
• "Make sure Christian kids aren't completely sequestered from unsaved kids."
• "Apathy"
• "The mentality that isolation from the world is the main goal, but that superior education is not."
• "I would eliminate it in most situations."
• "the apathy. it is the worst environment for some kids because everyone knows how to "play the game""
• "I would provide more of a "liberal arts" curriculum."
• "Be more Bible based and focused on God. Have the pledge of allegiance and prayer everyday. Make school enjoyable, but the rules not too flexible or too stiff. Try to have a positive interaction with the students. Do our best to meet their needs, but also make sure they have fun, but receive challenges at the same time."
• "I would try to raise the teacher's salaries!"
• "Have the classes more focused on God"
• "Not sure."
• "The spiritual atmosphere is unchallenging to students. Most student from my Christian school did not graduate much different from the Christian kids that went to public school. I was very disappointed that my Christian school could be so un-Christlike."
• "Wanting to conform to be like other schools. Less compromise."
• "the hypocrisy, inconsistency, and apathy that makes so many Christian schools look no different than public ones."
• "Go to school uniforms. It greatly improved the Christian School that I attended."
• "I think the ony thing that could help Christian schools is aide for parents in the payment for their child(ren)’s education through vouchers and the like."
• "The emphasis on sports, and the lack of emphasis on Christian and community ministering."
• "I'm not sure I like the philosophy that all students must be saved to attend the school. Our Christian school has always been an outreach although all students are required to follow the rules or suffer the consequences."
• "Most of the kids in Christian Schools today have grown up in church their whole life. They think they know everything about the Bible and they just frankly don't care anymore."
"Hypocrisy, looking/acting the part on the outside, but without a heart for God on the inside (and on the outside when away from accountability)"

"I would poke people in the congregations with pitchforks until they got involved. Just help out for one day, hang out with the kids, give your testimony in chapel, come have lunch with them, volunteer for a field trip, tutor, whatever. Get them involved so they know what they're griping about."

"In teaching the kids that are in the Christian school. The issue that needs to be addressed among this is primarily one of apathy. That attitude is one that is extended across many lines in their life."

"The thing that concerns me about the Christian school movement is that it is easy for the ""bad"" kids to hide. Kids are expert hypocrites...they learn from their parents."

"The current movement seems to focus too much on rules and less on the heart of the kids. I would love to see a Christian school movement that inspires the kids each day to be sold out for God, have a pure heart and challenge them each day to their part in turning the world upside down for Christ."

"The students need discipleship and doctrine."

"It's close tie to one church which often leads to a 'Christian club' mentality in which the kids don't know nor do they want to get to know any unsaved kids. One word - isolationism"

"the self-righteous view of the kids"

"Instruct the students more about the reality of the Christian life. Most walk away from Christian schools, getting only an education with a Biblical viewpoint. Inform them of how important it is to walk with Christ. Life is more important than just learning and living, life is service."

"Strengthen academic standards and expectations. Increase competency of the teachers."

"More zeal and holiness in the lives of the students."

"It is getting too loose"

"The accadeimic standereds"

"I don't think that the CSM has been helpful either to students or the church as a whole. It needs to be scrapped. Parents are going to have to teach their children to be in the world and not of it. The CSM has crippled and warped them."

"The on going need to bring in rough kids! Bring them to church, but not the school, it only brings the school down."

"Teach them greek and hebrew so that they can learn the bible for themselves instead of having others tell them what it means."

"Lack of one on one Biblical Discipleship"

"n/a"

"actually use discipline correctly. so much anymore is disciplining the unliked kid and letting the teachers pet get away with everything. thats not right. there should not be favoritism."

"the influences on the students"

"The Focus of christian schools is to honor God and be prepared to go out into the real world and defend what is true."

"standards are too loose"

"I'm not sure what you mean. I think that Christian schools are wonderful, if they are done the right way. Many people are turned off to the Word of God and Godly living by their Christian schools. This should never be so. Christian schools should focus more on the spirit/heart of the students rather than the outward activities/services. The service and outward will be a sign of what is inside. Obv"

"We focus to much on the outside of the cup, while not focusing on the heart. Yes, we must hold certain standards. The true goal of Christian education needs to be a change of heart. Unsaved students need Christ. Christian students need to be conformed to his image. We must give the students a love for their Savior!"

"For some reason, it seems that many Christians who grow up amongst this movement take what they have in Christ for granted. It's almost as if they get used to the idea of being a Christian and they somehow think that it's okay to do the worldly things they do. I don't know what should be done, but something must be done to show our teens/college students that our faith needs to be real and alive"
• "The lack of evangelism in the public schools because most of the Christians are in Christian schools."
• "I never went to Christian school, but from all I've heard about them this is by beef with them. I believe that Christian schools are training young people to lie. If you go to public school (as I did) they will tell you straight to your face that they have had sex, yet at a Christian schools we have built this fear of authority in to the kids and when confronted they will lie in order to escap"
• "Recruiting rejects who are not Christian to play in athletics"
• "I'd slowly end it. The problem people were trying to fix was not in a new school... the public school would have worked fine if parents would have put the effort into raising their children Biblically. Parents rely on the C. School to do their Biblical task in raising Godly kids. On top of that, the Public school no longer has any salt or light! What do we expect of it. Why aren't we fulfi!"
• "I don't really know about the Christian school movement in general, but as for the christian school I attended, there were many issues. I guess I would say in general that teaching that Children must conform to rules without Biblical Basis and without discussing heart issues is key. The other would be that the staff and parents of the students didn't back up the Pastors and principles."
• "1. Teachers need a better foundation in the Bible no matter what subject they teach. 2. More student accountability."
• "The apathetic attitude I see from so many students coming out from Christian schools. They don't seem to care about true ministry and learning more about God's Word."
• "I would change the atmosphere that emphasizes morality and externals over true heart change."
• "There are a lot of places where there are several small, good schools in the same area run by different churches. I think it would be better for the churches and students if they worked together in one larger school."
• "Put more emphasis on living a spirit-controlled life, and less emphasis on standards and performance"
• "I would encourage a higher academic standard, a deeper spiritual emphasis and greater accountability for the leadership."
• "The emphasis on just obeying the rules without the proper reinforcement of why the rules are there, and the personal consequences in your own life if you do things that are wrong. If this is not taught, then the student body will get a horrible attitude."
• "I just think the best way to do education is homeschooling... but, if I had to answer... I would make sure it was academically sound and very strong spiritually."
• "Greater education for the teachers involved. I was not taught by true ""teachers."
• "It takes too much focus away from the local church. The church too often gets too involved in preserving the school rather than using the church to minister to others and be an effective outreach to the world"
• "It would be the atmosphere of 'competition' It would be the atmosphere of 'we are ok' It would be the atmosphere of 'we are better then you' It would be the low level of acadamia It would be the low level of Spiritual Knowledge/depth disconnect the CSM from churches/church priority"
• "I like it the way it is."
• "lack of Bible/fundamental teaching and decline in standards"
• "I would stress living a Christ centered life. Many Christian school graduates readily admit that Christian schools are just as worldly and apathetic (if not more so) than are public schools."
• "more bible direction"
• "I would use a liberal education curriculum and teachers who were both academically excellent and spiritually involved in the lives of the students."
• "Many Christian schools have open enrollment. This is never a good idea. Bad influences come in and literally ruin lives. Strong standards should always be applied, not compromised."
• "Sorry... I have more than one establish more discipleship programs interactive edification among the students higher academic standards teach them more about outreach in the community because they are not attending the public schools where their testimony is needed. Therefore they need to reach out to those kids and show them that they care."
"better academics and accreditation without neglecting the spiritual aspect"

"It seems that many students that come from Christian schools do not have a passion for God. Though they do know more Bible stories, they do not know why they believe what they do because they usually do not have to defend it to the world. I don't know how I would change that, but I would pray and ask for God to revive hearts to Him again."

"The cost of tuition."

"It's focus on athletics, social activities, and the cliqueish atmospheres"

"put a stronger emphasis on the heart and disciple the kids as opposed to just ruling them"

"Ridiculous rules"

"Be more involved in discipleship. Push for a change of heart and not just an external change."

"More emphasis on right living rather than simply giving the right answers. Outward conformity often passes as spirituality."

"Christian schools should be directly different from public schools. Chapel time should promote the students relationship with God and should have Biblical creative approaches. They need higher educational text books, not BJU or Abeka. They should promote good citizenship which would include some kind of political involvement. They should also promote good sportsmanship. Awards at the end of the year"

"Hypocrites"

"The Christian school teen has become much too sheltered from the unsaved."

"Focus just as much or more on the inward standards than on the outward."

"I don't know"

"Spirit"

"It's failure to bring together strong academics with a disciplining environment"

"Academic standards are ridiculously low. A more complete (and Biblical) philosophy of education would recognize the role of education and that pietistic spirituality is not a substitute. Of course, that's not a simple change to make, which explains my low hopes for the entire Christian school movement."

"There should be more that are most cost efficient."

"The child could not go if he/she didn't want to"

"Greater emphasis on counseling the Christian teens in practical matters (dating, sex, music, parent relationships etc.) These subjects are often glossed over and teens are left to "figure things out" on their own. The need for counseling about the topics of love, dating, sex, and relationships, are especially important for teen girls. They end up forming many of their opinions from the Christian r"

"I would take time to make sure that Christian school children were not assumed to be good, Christian children, but disciple them in the same way any other child should be discipled."

"I'm satisfied with Christian schools for the most part."

"heavier emphasis on training kids in the Bible"

"i wouldn't know what to change. people should know though that just because it is a Christian school doesn't mean that there are Christian students that make up that school."

"Nothing has distracted and detrimented the church more in 2000 years than the Christian School movement. It is a quagmire."

"Christian schools have become places where students first learn how to wear the expected Christian facade while hiding their wicked hearts. This problem must be properly acknowledged and addressed."

"The standards required for the people and the families of the students wanting to attend"

"I didn't pay that much attention to the "movement."

"Involving parents more"

"The total segregation between the children and the real world. Also, the untrained teachers."

"Nothing."

"the focus on externals (conformity to certain extra-biblical standards), which is occuring to the detriment of the internals"

"The fact that alot of the faculty is unqualified for their positions"

"nothing"
- "I don't know"
- "They are not for evangelism, no open enrollment, it never makes the bad kids good, it makes the good kids bad. Also, the church should have first priority ALWAYS. Too many times the school controls the church."
- "Well, I don't know how but something must be done to change the spiritual climate of the schools. The Bible must be taught relevantly by a teacher who is passionate about Jesus Christ and the Bible. Far too many young people have a cynical attitude towards the Bible and church from hearing boring repetitive teaching and preaching."
- "more academic/apologetic style bible classes"
- "I am unsure of the answer other than to say I feel that we have removed much of our Christian witness from the secular educational environment and that saddens me."
- "The Christian school is not a method for evangelization. The influence there are horrible. I started smoking behind our sanctuary, and my wife joined the rebels to keep the "'Good kids" from beating her up every day."
- "Less focus on sports atmosphere, more on academics and spiritual direction"
- "More Christ-centeredness in all aspects of teaching and activities."
- "I would change the reckless, "'We'll take anyone"' mentality. A Christian school needs to have a driven purpose of maturing Christians. Too many Christian School Kids are not Christians. The evaluation for accepting and keeping young people in Christian School should be reconsidered."
- "not sure"
- "The wrong attitude: People that go to public schools are less spiritual and wouldn't typically be a good example in church."
- "Stop overwhelming churches calendars and lives."
- "I taught at a two Christian schools. I think the first thing I would change is the false notion that they get a superior education. Christian school students do better than average public school student. They do not do better than the typical college preparatory public school student. Toot one's horn stating the school has academic excellence is at best misinformation and at worse false advertise."
- "I think that parents send their kids to a "'so-called"' Christian school and think that they are fine but they still need to be involved with their children...it is not a cop out."
- "Get back to the original purpose. Training young people for the service of God. Aggressive Biblical training to prepare young people for a live of full-time service to their God."
- "Don't hire any teacher, they should be qualified, and it seems most I have come into contact with aren't. Education is important."
- "focus on spiritual"
- "Desire for open enrollment (school=evangelism). Increase networking of like-minded churches."
- "Keep it independent of the church"
- "lack of parental involvement. The school raises the child."
- "It is often used for evangelism. Students should be required to attend the church affiliated with the school, and a very close scrutiny should be made of the student's spiritual condition before allowing him to attend the school."
- "i went to a christian church that had a christian school- the areas of authority crossed and conflicted many times. it would have been better for the school if it had not been run by the church- it should have been a seperate ministry"
Check references! An angry person should not have absolute control over children who can't fight back and are taught to never question authority. Much pain, literal not just emotional, was caused by such a Chi

- "The open enrollment policy that dictates that enrollment equals expenses."
- "Add "life skills" classes for those who do not attend college."
- "Insist on more parental responsibility."
- "Hypocrisy. Also, so many Christian schools are used as the 'out' for the children who are failing in public school...which brings terrible influences upon the 'good' kids."
- "The price of tuition. Christian schools are a blessing, but for most families, like mine, it is just too expensive."
- "Too much emphasis on the externals, too little attention to the heart of the child. (Legalistic) What good is it if a kid gets no demerits, makes straight As and follows the dress code if he's led to believe that these actions make him better than his fellow students?"
- "The emphasis on outward things (dress and the like) to inward things (discipleship and the like)."
- "Get parents more involved in discipling their own children in the Christian faith and stop relying upon "professionals"."
- "emphasis should be on changing the heart, not trying to model after Bob Jones"
- "Its mentality concerning separation from the "lost world.""
- "Teacher-student relations. At least half of the students are sent by parents or guardians to be used basically as a facility to correct their attitudes or behaviors. It then seems best to me that teachers find out what motivates students and use those to encourage them to excell to their highest potential. Without abandoning or compromising the rules, a teacher should try to help a student enj"
- "I don't think they should be an evangelistic outreach because it only corrupts the kids that are from good Christian homes and makes them want to rebel."
- "I don't know enough about the movement."
- "Turn the schools into more of a homeschool get together, where parents are totally involved."
- "I would change some of the rules."
- "There are two areas of life which are crucial--the heart and the mind. To neglect one or the other is like trying to walk with only one leg. The good school, whether "Christian" or otherwise, must excel at both. Therefore, I propose that the Christian schools become serious about the life of the mind and begin to follow the classical model of education (trivium & quadrivium). I also suggest th"
- "The "mis" emphasis on the minors."
- "more Bible"
- "Better teachers!"
- "There is a big problem with Christian teens in Christian schools not becoming more like Christ. While I am not totally advocating leaving the Christian school movement, I am leaning in that direction."
- "I'm not sure how i would do it but i would like it better if the kids in the school were not hypocrits"
- "More Parental involvement especially in discipline."
- "teach them things that they can use in the real world, show them the difference between saved and unsaved"
- "I would put more emphasize on the aspect of prayer and personal relationship with God."
- "i am unfamiliar with the movement so I really have nothing to say at this point."
- "higher academic emphasis and standards"
• "Understand it's role in the big picture. A school without emphasis on a church that is producing strong families will spin its wheels. Also, on the calendar issue, it should not occupy ever waking moment of its students. Teachers need to be aware and involved in the big picture of the ministry, not just punching in, teaching class, punching out."
• "The academics"
• "I didn't attend Christian school, but so much of it seems to be outward show, and many times the students seem to care more about each other than they do about the Lord. Bringing back strong doctrine and inner change is what is needed."
• "I think all the teachers should have college degrees to give them more credibility. Also, I think a more classical education should be emphasized versus the traditional ABeka and BJU curriculums."
• "parents of students"
• "Not enough focus and emphasis on reaching the lost around them. They get to be stuck-up "holier than thou" kids because they're not exposed enough to the need of a lost and dying world. But that should really be taken care of in the home..."
• "It has isolated itself from the Public school kids and the community. There should be more involvement in society."
• "The level of mediocrity that many schools have."
• "Academics and those who are allowed to attend. Teach compensation."
• "I don't know"
• "Focus more on reaching and changing the students' hearts, instead of focusing mostly on the outward appearance (e.g., strict dress code)."
• "When a school is started, if it is started by a Baptist church, then it needs to be extremely careful about who it lets in. When a Baptist school begins to let other denominational beliefs infiltrate their school, the administrators become restricted on what can be taught in the classrooms. Also, Christian schools need to continue to place education in high regards but they need to focus on the sp"
• "More Bible education."
• "Most Christian schools are associated with a "home" church. Within the school, the students and parents that attend the "home" church are at times cliquish and distant. It shines a bad light on both the church and the school."
• "Emphasis on Discipleship - seeking the spiritual development of every child Excellence in Education - surpassing the standards required by public schools"
• "Shouldn't be attached to churches, should be self-sustained (not using church finances). My husband attended a Christian school, but I really see no difference in teachers or children when comparing to public school. When you mix school and church, oddities arise."
• "There is a lot that needs working on, but there are also a lot of constraints that keep the work from getting done. Perhaps this: any new Christian schools need to be careful to have a driving philosophy and stick to it, regardless of whining parents. I do believe that the educational prerogative is up to the parents, but when they opt to send their children to a Christian school, they must kno"
• "I would change the focus of the chapel preaching, Bible classes, and disciplinary matters so that they would be primarily God-focused."
• "admission policies that allow unsaved or wordly parent/student involvement"
• "There was too much apathy accepted by the leadership of the school."
• "I can hardly stop at one thing, please pick one for me! (My father is a Christian School administrator, so I observed a lot in the last 20 years!) I would emphasize high qualifications for those running the school and teaching in it. I would require a degree or life experience in their field. I would under-emphasize sports. I would consider cooperation with other Christian schools, possibly a merg"
• "More of an emphasis on academic excellence"
• "Unsure"
• "Hierarchy. Most Christian schools are governed by local churches, they should be self-governing, not caught up in church politics, financial messes, and senior pastors who do not allow school administrators to do their jobs."
• "Interaction with public school kids. Encourage kids to have friends outside of the Christian school."
• "Seclusion and pride"
• "Get back to the purpose of training young people to be Christlike. The point is to disciple young people as well as give them an education. Educational evangelism is harmful and even dangerous for the believers in the school."
• "They need qualified teachers and accreditation."
• "They should be more accepting of homeschooling and allow the parents to be more involved in their children's lives."
• "The volume of Christian schools it is more about the quality of the school rather than the quantity of them"
• "The attitude of students towards sin is a major issue. In many schools there is not respect towards the Bible or towards separation from the world. The teenagers try to dress and act like the world, and when they are at school they talk about the things they did on the weekend. Many times there is almost a respect for the rebels, those students that try their hardest to disobey the rules. We need"
• "Somehow unify and educate the family more. That's where it's at."
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• "Pay the teachers more"
• "I would like churches to be more oriented in discipleship and growth then they are today"
• "Unsure"
• "Philosophy of education-you don't have to relate every single thing to some unrelated Bible passage"
• "Less emphasis on rules, more emphasis on relationship"
• "Failure to interact with public schools."
• "More ministry opportunities"
• "The academic quality of the schools."
• "Schools would not be afraid (because of money issues) to kick out the students that hate being there."
• "The artificial environment it gives. The training is great, but the interaction with the unbelievers is almost non-existent. The opportunities need to be there to began to train, especially the high schoolers, how to stand up for what they believe and to be salt and light."
• "The fact that they are filled with knowledge but lack zeal because often they do not possess the truths they have been taught"
• "I don't know. It depends on many things."
• "Allowing of non-fundamentally minded denominations to attend (I graduated with 7 or so different denominations)"
• "I would want it to be more real. In a sense that there would be that passion that God is more real to both the faculty and the students."
• "The idea that only Christian textbooks should be used. I think that we should have Christian teachers that are trained to be able to give a sound Christian education without the book having to be from a Christian publisher."
• "The discipline was a little lenient. for the ones that caused too much trouble the discipline should've been more harsh."
• "Emphasize to the students to confront sin when they know about it in their friends lives instead of just looking good on the outside with all the standards that are required of them."
• "The tendency of good Fundamental pastors to start Christian schools without the ability to properly support their teachers—thus changing the emphasis of their churches from evangelism to "struggling to support a school" businesses."
• "The "'Us four no more'" attitude needs to go."
• "More Biblical focus"
• "the isolationism"
• "I don't know"
• "Quality of teachers Grades 1-6 would be open to saved and unsaved students but 7-12 would be open only to saved students."
• "For church members with a greater focus on discipleship."
• "Quality of teachers education."
• "Actively seeking the involvement of parents."
• "The admittance of children outside the Christian faith should not be allowed."
• "More emphasis on the Spiritual, enforce all the rules"
• "Christian schools should give salaries to teachers equivalent to those who teach in a public school."
• "It's open enrollment"
• "The intense focus on externals as opposed to internals. I heard dozens more sermons and lectures on dress standards than I ever heard on spiritual purity."
• "Cost"
• "They should not have an open door policy to all students. The students should come from that church or any church of like faith and practice with that church."
• "There are too many Christian schools that employ teachers that are qualified in the field they are teaching. I want to teach in a Christian school but all the schools that contact me want me to teach subjects that I am not qualified to teach. This is a dis-service to the students attending. It gives them a less than adequate education."
• "That it has a clearly defined written mission statement, and that it sticks to that mission statement!"
• "have better qualification standards"
• "make it academically more respectable."
• "Sex education is a must for Christian schools. Christian schools should not hush the subject, rather they should show how God meant it to glorify him."
• "lack of doctrinal and biblical teaching"
• "More focussed on the spiritual aspects of the students, not just the academic excellence. What does it matter if you are better educated, but spiritually dead?"
• "The routiness of the everyday life. You go to school and church at the same place see the same people and it breeds complacency. I would like to see the school movement become alive and vibrant for Christ."
• "True commitment of families, not a "'fad'" or "'pressure'" from the pulpit"
• "I wish there was a way to get better fine arts and sports programs in Christian Schools. Basically, I think that extracurricular activities are lacking in quality and number."
• "Be more selective of the students allowed in. While allowing a "'project'" into the school is a nice thing to do, it can also have a very negative affect on the other students."
• "Christian schools want adequate funds puts their students at several detrimental disadvantages. Christian schools, no matter what their size or financial status, are not able to educate children as well as public schools are (academically speaking). Children who are products of Christian schools may receive a decent education, but they are put at some form of a disadvantage should they ever desire"
• "nothing"
• "Fundamental schools are too worried about the outward appearance of their students and not about their hearts and reaching them for Christ and Christian service in the future."
• "Better standards for teachers, developed teaching plans and better classroom experience."
• "teachers that were qualified"
• "do not let the school overtake the church"
"Creating in the students a wrong spirit of spiritual elitism and spiritual intelligence over those who go to public school or home school. Have the kids live what they really are, not just rattle off answers to the questions they have memorized since Sunday School."

"I got saved and grew up in the mission field, so I am not familiar with this movement."

"I was homeschooled from third grade through my senior year of high school, and I loved it. However, for my first year of college, I went to Pensacola Christian College. I did not take issue with the strictness of the rules because I agree to obey while I was there. I did take issue with the attitudes of the other students. It seemed to me that the school spent so much time working on the studen"

"constantly encourage the parents not to ""hand over"" to the Christian schools their personal continuing responsibility in the Christian education of their kids"

"isolationism"

"Excellent but difficult question. I think we have failed in that we have totally separated our children from the world, which is not entirely bad, but have raised a generation of young people who cannot defend why they are different from the world or they cannot function properly in the world as a witness for Christ."

"Even though I may be a little critical in my answers about the movement, I am not sure what I would do differently."

"The concept that as long as the spiritual ""tone"" of the school is ok academics do not matter"

"Make them more Christ-focused instead of trying to mimic the public schools method of education. Make studying God's Word of much higher importance, not just relegated to once a day Bible class and once a week chapel. Also, they ought to be more a ministry of a local church to families in that local church and not separate entities in themselves."

"Avoid the influx of people wanting ""private"" education vs Christian education."

"I still will take the position of letting God work in the hearts of people. If He wants things changed, he will tell us."

"would move away from ACE"

"Teacher Examples"

"I would implement a classical curriculum. Less emphasis on externals. I would hire staff that modeled Christian leadership."

"Christian school would function best if not controlled by one church. A group of churches with the same doctrine (not just Baptist) would provide a larger base and more balanced education."

"The focus of the Christian School Movement should be to provide an excellent education to prepare Christian leaders and businessmen, not to make good kids or escape the influence of the world."

"the Nonchalant attitude of the staff"

"I would try to eliminate the apathetic attitudes and somehow place an emphasis on serving the Lord and growing closer to him. Too many schools place an emphasis on doing the right things, saying the right things, etc. We need to place more of an emphasis on growing closer to Him."

"The fact that Christian schools are founded just to promote segregation of race, community, and status."

"I would encourage schools that are not of a practical size to close and pursue other educational routes. I think it is foolish to have a school of 20 and have onw teacher, simply because you do not want any involvement with home school or public school."

"Don't keep the students in a bubble. They need to be prepared for life in the real world too."

"Open Enrollment is a nightmare for most schools, and it highlights their lack of proper philosophy since it is most often done to pay the bills, not because it helps the school fulfill its goals. Also, much more emphasis needs to be placed on discipleship within the school environment, its not all about rules, but about changing hearts."

"Higher academic achievement standards."


"Spiritual emphasis of the teachers"
"N/A"
"the inclusivistic attitude and sense that Christian Schools are the silver bullet of the church"
"Greater emphasis on the partnership between home, church, and school."
"I would provide a better curriculum for use in elementary schools. It seems like many ""fundamentalist"" curricula are lacking in the effectiveness of their pedagogical methods."
"the primary issue with the christian school movement as it stands now is the creation of a christian sub-culture within the school, which turns out, in many cases to be more corrupt and sinful than a similar public school environment, it just happens to be underground."
"quality of teachers"
"I don't know enough about the movement as a whole to suggest change, only that the academics MUST produce advanced, well-prepared students and the spiritual development MUST produce advanced, highly effective Christians."
"Having men run the school who are uneducated regarding education, they started the Christian school for the sole purpose of having a Christian school without being proactive in the set-up of the institution. Too many Christian schools are also focused on ""survival"" due to the lack of funds - have a philosophy of education, and stick to it, more Christians are attracted to a school with a sound ph"
"The academic standards need to be equally as high as any public school, if not higher."
"Christian schools should never allow their enrollment to be dictated by need for finances. It drives the quality down very quickly."
"I would discourage churches from starting Christian schools that were not fully prepared to provide adequate academic and spiritual training to the youth. I don't want to see Christian schools started that aren't going to succeed."
"Sports would not be the main focus. Too many christian schools become like public schools because they let just anyone in. God would be the main focus."
"Make sure that the teachers are qualified in the area's that they teach."
"Don't settle for poor academics. And don't be afraid of teaching opportunities to young people who may not stand quite where you want them to. Sometimes in our dogma we forget love and do nothing to help open our teens' mind to the understanding of truth."
"get rid of unqualified faculty and start paying the good teachers better."
"Classical School Education -- Grammar, Logic, Rhetoric"
"The existence of Christian schools."
"Questions 53 and 54 should have been left blank, didn't attend a christian school"
"I would end it. We are called to be ""in the world not of the world", not ""of the world but not in it"". I feel differently about seminaries."
"Make it discipleship focused."
"I was in a Christian school until 8th grade. I went to a public high school in 9th and suffered tremendously spiritually. Returning to a CS in 10th was a safe haven where I flourished. However, most of the kids I went to school with were not spiritually minded and fell away after graduation. Though I benefitted myself, it seems most do not. It almost seems to create weakness. It also caused"
"I would not support it"
"put the kids back into mainstream society, instead of removing them -- in other words, I would try to kill the movement :)"
"Philosophy: It seems many fundamental Christian schools see themselves as a necessary part to the Body of Christ. The local church is the only necessary part to the Body of Christ as a whole, when the church and the family do their biblically justified jobs, there is no necessary need for Christian schools. There is not necessarily a problem with having one, but they are not a must."
"Lack of Discipline among the troubled."
"Not consider it a ""movement"" but rather simply a better alternative to education than provided us by the government schools."
"The lack of heart"
"Emphasis on outer change and not inner change"
• "There seems to be a lack of Biblical teachings in every subject. God is the author and Creator of everything we study. I would like to see more of an emphasis on teaching Bible not just in Bible class."
• "Not church based Christian Schools. Keep them independent."
• "Blanket statements about the necessity of Christian schooling, when we are called to be salt/light in our community."
• "Christian schools need to change philosophically. They are there to EDUCATE. To many christian schools are so focused on character development and sports that they forget their purpose. They probably need to charge more for tuition because a number of the teachers are poor teachers. They are the leftovers at times. The christian schools need to realize that ""A good teacher is costly, but a bad"
• "Less emphasis on outward conformity, more emphasis on discipling within the school. We should be more concerned with where a student's heart is than by the length of his hair. Standards are good and necessary (especially today) but when conformity becomes the goal, we do more damage than good to that student. We should be teaching our students to develop their own Biblically-based convictions a"
• "Schooling only church kids, students who were dismissed from public school should not be allowed to attend a Christian school, even if they are allowed with the intent of ""reaching"" them."
• "They are isolationists. They shield children not only from the world, but from any knowledge of the world. Christian schools are for the most part, externally focused."
• "some attitudes"
• "It's a joke. As an educator in a public school I find it appalling that people who are not even trained to be teachers are educating students. And many times, Christian schools become nothing more than a click. I work with the youth group in our local church. As a public school teacher and a coach I am afraid when I invite my students to our youth group because the ones that go to the Christia"
• "Christian Schools are for education. The parents of students need to be informed that the school is not there to raise their children, but rather to fulfill their legal academic requirements while surrounded by a godly atmosphere. Unfortunately, the Christian school staff does not live up to that need to provide a ""godly atmosphere"" in many ways - Christian School teachers are full-time servant"
• "Make sure teachers are qualified for the subjects they are teaching."
• "the negative backlash against it by it's rebel graduates"
• "Realizing that not all of the students are there for the spiritual growth. And attempting to show, through personal experience, that God can have a major aspect of our life."
• "the spiritual atmosphere to be more like Christ."
• "Better consistent, but loving discipline. Practical courses on Biblical application for students."
• "The mindset that it takes the place of training children in Godliness. Many have abdicated their duty to train their children, leaving it up to teachers or youth pastors."
• "Gossip to cease."
• "Christian School children are lacking in many areas of social development, and dealing with realities of society."
• "the fact that many of the students do not have a single friend or contact outside the school who is unsaved. There's no chance to witness, and our students live in a soft cocoon that protects them from the real world."
• "Take it out of the churches and make it its own institution. I would like to see area churches fund and support their one single school that could have the best academics possible."
• "Make sure they have the same standards of teaching in the public school. The school that I went to did not require Algebra (and anything on), they didn't require any advanced classes. I never got the same learning as the public school children did. I feel as though I was done wrong in that area. If I could change it, I would make sure the Christian schools would have more academic requirements"
"Being more inclusive, more emphasis on a personal walk with the Lord and not so much on the "rules." Being able to be involved with those students from other schools that weren't necessarily "Christian" schools so that we had an opportunity to be "salt and light.""

"lack of spiritual focus (especially private schools that are Christian in name only)"

"I travelled on an evangelistic team that ministered in Christian Schools, and have been in good ones and bad ones. I do not know how a wholesale change can be applied, but I do think the good ones were good because they taught their students why they believed what they believed."

"Higher Academics. More outreach to homeschool families."

"Get the kids involved in ministry. Too often they sit around and do nothing but gossip and get in trouble. They are often just as bad as the public school kids"

"The fact that the Christian school kids become too comfortable with each other, and things are not handled biblically between them."

"There is too much apathy among students. somehow, academics need to be made excellent (so that we aren't turning out ignorants) as well as spiritual fire kindles. Also, more spiritual teaching is needed, many in our churches today are theologically illiterate."

"I would make them better academically"

"The hypocrisy and closed society that we put the kids in. There is no outreach or training about how to influence the world. I find that Christians schools are two years behind what was going on in the public school. At least by going to a public school after attending Christian schools most my life, I had to live what I believed"

"Apathy toward service for Christ"

"The young people sometimes become calloused to the things of God. The Christian School must do all that it can to avoid this and promote personal relationship with the Lord."

"The original impetus for the Christian school movement, as well as the motivation for most parents to send their children to Christian school, was/is in many cases unbiblical, placing a reactionary isolationism over the Gospel's requirements on the Christian. The biblical imperative is certainly not to avoid at all costs worldly/sinful/modernistic people, but rather to "get our hands dirty" in it!"

"Christian schools are good for many reasons, however there are some problems with them. I, myself went to a public school in which I would never send my children. I am currently a principal of a Christian school and I have strongly observed those who attended Christian school while I was at college. The one problem I see is that there is an apathy that the students seem to have. Maybe it is be"

"The tendency for everyone to think that because it is a Christian school that everything about everyone's spiritual walk is fine, and the lack of proper teaching on how to argue intelligently with non-Christians."

"The emphasis on external standards with no or little explanation as to the heart or organizational reasons why they are done."

"The current ministry we are in is a Christian school. I could go ON and ON about the things I would change but mostly I would strive more for EXCELLENCE in education and standards"

"Christian day schools should have the same standards for teachers as public schools."

"I think most Christian schools have poor standards for the teachers. We allow our Christian schools to have lower academic standards for our teachers then public schools do. We demand excellence from our students, but not from our teachers. We throw in any one no matter how unqualified to teach certain classes. Christian schools think that anyone can teach history, or science or math or PE and"

"The level of discipline in dress and behavior (especially respect for authority) required of all students."

"It's financing. Most Christian schools could use a lot more money to pay teachers and keep up with educational requirements."

"More exposure to math and science facilities"

"More Bible based"

"I would not have it connected with many churches, instead of one. I think it is financially draining on a church. Also there needs to be a filtering of what children go to the school."
"Philosophy"
"More emphasis on interaction with unbelievers."
"Much stronger emphasis on appropriate Christian attitudes in sports, daily living, etc."
"Keep up with new education ideas, technology, experienced teachers, and educate against new & errant philosophies and support, support, support!"
"qualified PE teachers"
"The pastor's involvement in the school functions"
"Sometimes emphasis on the spiritual overcomes emphasis on academics - not that academic things are more important than spiritual things, but sometimes academics are overlooked"
"The moving away from the KJV...I would try to make it so that the schools would be using the KJV."
"Every person involved would love Jesus Christ with all of their being."
"More intellectually rigorous in the humanities--English literature, classical history, and classical and Continental philosophy."
"The school would be separate from the church. Church-life would be church-life and school-life and activities would be school-life."
"Maintaining pure spiritual vision. Too many schools have lost their focus either on academic credentials or mere survival -- keeping the attendance #s high enough to break even. There seems to be a lack of balance -- some educational credentials, and even accreditation are becoming essential for schools to properly equip their students, but this must be done with the proper balance of maintenance."
"I think that the kids today can tend to be untested when it comes to their faith. At a Christian school, they can seem rough and not really what we picture true Christians to be like."
"The purpose"
"Christian schools all need a closed attendance policy. Meaning only those families in their church or a church of similar faith and practice."
"Apathy"
"Teaching that school standards are for the school organization, not to make you spiritual. Your not good or bad by keeping the school dress standards, but obedient or disobedient."
"the perception that outward conformity = spiritual maturity"
"The family's assumption that the school would fulfill the parent's obligation to "'train up"' their child."
"Quit being so critical of peoples choices. Some may homeschool, some may send to christian school and other may send to public school. Christians should let explore all the alternatives and make the best choice for their children and should not be critical of the choices other parents make."
"Both schools I have been a part of have been excellent. Perhaps lower the emphasis on sports."
"More of a discipleship emphasis, make sure that the school does not unduly drain the resources or attention of the local church, make sure the church/school does not replace the discipleship roles godly parents should have in the home."
"As a Christian school teacher servicing several schools in my area, I see the majority of the school/church relationships as the tail wagging the dog. Christian schools seem to me to be more important than local church ministry in many cases."
"Schools should educate children in the skills they need to live in this world - religious beliefs and restrictions are best left to the church."
"It's become ingrown and projects a false goodness."
"There are too many of them. They are so small that a church/school can't pay teachers enough to keep them. Young male teachers especially can't stay for any period of time and raise a family because they can't afford it."
"The over-emphasis on sports, competition, etc."
"I would make the standard of education higher."
"Broader educational scope. Offer the same opportunities as other schools."
"Focus on the important things. Teach the whys and not just the whats. Do things more excellently. Hold students accountable."
"We seem to turn out many kids that are nominal Christians. Our schools are missing something."

"I would make sure that the leaders truly care about the students well-being spiritually and academically, and not just about this rule and that rule and administering severe consequences for minor infractions. Christian schools do not need to be military schools."

"poor leadership"

"I want quality education. I had a lot of teachers that did not know their subject areas and were teaching students. I want Christian education but not at the price of having an education."

"The thing I would change, if I could, is that the students generally carry on the same immoral activities as do some of the kids in public schools."

"The belief that all the kids in the school are saved, from a Christian home, and at the same spiritual level. The expectation that the kids should do more in regards to ministry, service, soulwinning than the church members."

"I believe the structure of academics should be inherent to that of relevant issues. I.E. what the world around us are doing."

"More discipleship emphasis steering kids in the direction of churches and pastors."

"Not let the school dictate the rule over the church. It is a ministry to the church, not the power over the church. Place an emphasis on putting the light back into the world, rather than remove it from the (interact with community and other schools)"

"Preach the Bible and Christian living...not standards ALONE. Teach and show some how to live the Christian life...not a Pharisaical form of spirituality. Preach the Bible...not hobbihorses."

"The kids still seem so worldly, but bear a Christian name. Careful standards need to be upheld, in dress especially, work with the kids on heart attitudes more, as well as academics."

"Keep it more separated from a church's main ministry: reaching the lost and edifying the church"

"The philosophy, no unbelievers"

"Involve the parents in a more direct, responsible way. Parents need to accept their responsibility to raise their children for God--No amount of Christian education will bring about a Godly generation without Mom and Dad fulfilling their Biblical roles as parents."

"The busyness of Christian school life takes the emphasis off the local church and worshipping God. God almost becomes like another school subject so kids are not passionate about God - He just becomes another thing I'm supposed to do. I don't know how I would fix that but that would be my concern about sending my child to one. They live in a bubble - many don't interact with unsaved people at all"

"increase spiritual emphasis"

"better academics"

"Pay the teachers...so they don't feel like and act like volunteers. Hold the parents accountable don't let them abdicate their responsibilities.""

"I wouldn't allow parents to push their responsibilities off on the school, but use qualified, spiritually mature staff in the school to help the parents."

"The emphasis needs to be on Bible teaching in the home and then carried into the school. Relying on the school to teach your child about the Bible is neglecting your responsibility as a parent."

"The way everyone is so sheltered, and in a bubble, there needs to be a better balance"

"Get the kids more involved with the community/unsaved. Most live in such a Christian bubble-home, church, school that because their faith is not challenged they take it for granted, become apathetic."

"I don't believe that a Christian school should be supported/started by ONE church. It leads to power issues. A group of churches is a better way of keeping too much power and say out of the hands of a particular church."

"I would place more emphasis on how to apply Scripture to the life in the day we are in."

"Higher requirements for hiring of teachers"

"Pay the teachers better and a renewed commitment to discipleship not just educating."

"I would change the fact that Christian school students are not exposed to unbelievers and therefore are never forced to think through what they believe and why. They can cruise through
school without a care for the lost or the things of God and be "'OK'" as long as they follow the
rules and don't embarrass their parents or the school."

- "Don't think it's generally been helpful."
- "that's the $64 million question!!!!"
- "At least in the case of our church, it would be healthier to share the load with another church.
  (I.e., one church provide elementary school, another church provide high school, 2-3 churches
  cooperate to provide teachers' salaries, etc.)"
- "Provide more spiritual motivation for young people to go on to Christian colleges and serve the
  Lord."
- "Do not allow open enrollment. It stinks."
- "The christian school movement needs to learn to train students for the real world. They have no
  real idea what the world is like and when they get out in the real world after school it becomes a
  HUGE shock to their system."
- "The spiritual atmosphere in most Christian schools is lacking. They can be just as bad as public
  schools."
- "the evangelistic philosophy which leads to many unsaved within the Christian school."
- "It is blinding. Parents use it as a child-rearer. The life becomes consumed with activity within the
  Christian school box and there is no resemblance to Jesus' earthy ministry example set for us."
- "Too many Christian schools have low standards in dress and music. Also, many Christian
  schools produce complacent children."
- "There are many things to change, but to stay to the question I would chose the myth that the
  Christian school is a replacement of sound doctrinal teaching in the home and the church. I guess
  that is not a change of the school, but I would emphasize the importance of sound doctrine and
  home and in church. Many parents and pastors leave the teachings of the faith to the teachers.
  That should not"
- "I do believe that taking children out of public schools created a hole in the ability for our young
  people to know unsaved people. Do you risk "'losing'" a child if they go to public school? Yes.
  But you also risk "'losing'" a child in a Christian school--they might say and do all the right
  things, but they may have never had to stand up for what they believe, hence their faith may not be
  as personal"
- "Some curriculum, teacher salary"
- "Many Christian Schools have poor academics and are run very poorly. We need to require
  teachers who are qualified to teach, not just someone/anyone available."
- "More involvement of the parents in the teaching and discipleship roles."
- "Lack of emphasis on professionalism in every area, even something simple like sports. I
  encountered many where everything was last minute etc..."
- "The affect of the world in the Christian school"
- "I would make it an elitist school. In this way. If you want to attend a Christian school it's
  because you feel called to be in full-time ministry before the time of entering school. The school
  would provide all the courses needed for a normal education but wuld also include greek and
  hebrew classes. There would be little to no sports teams aside from physical education for the
  sake of health."
- "Teachers need to look at their job as a ministry. I think Christian schools should have higher
  standards for their teachers. I don't think there was a biblical emphasis especially in highschool
  because the teachers did not incorporate Bible principles in their teaching or even in their lives."
- "Teacher's Salaries"
- "Get it out of the church. Don't let the tail wag the dog."
- "parents involvement"
- "The focus on standards rather than on heart issues. Kids grow up with a mental list of "'do'"s and
  "'don't'"s but don't have personal relationships with God. The result? rebellion"
- "The hypocrisy and judgmentalism. The problem with so many Christian schools is not their open
  enrollment, but the school itself. Had my school been closed enrollment many people (and their
  families)could still be on their way to hell. Their are closed enrollment schools where kids in the
church are getting kicked out for drugs, alcohol, and sex. It's a heart problem many schools today are missing."

- "I would change the apathy of many of the students. I'm not exactly sure how I would do that, though. So many of the students take things for granted. They take their beliefs for granted, don't know what they believe, or don't know why they believe what they believe."
- "I would do something regarding the use of technology. It seems that most Christian schools are lacking in the computer usage department, especially within the elementary grades."
- "Christian schools tend to work on the brain more than the heart. Care more about the child not as much about their brain. Grab their heart."
- "Distance the Christian school movement from the local church."
- "Certification among educators should be strongly encouraged, if not required."
- "I'm glad it's available for those who cannot homeschool, but I'm much more thankful for the homeschooling movement because I believe it is most biblical."
- "The apathy of students and faculty alike."
- "Academics"
- "Get back to the basics and reasons of why Christian schools were started - too much sports and too little spiritual development - too much worldly influence (the reason Christian schools were started in the first place)"
- "Implement of more consistently Christian philosophy of education."
- "The hypocrisy of students/staff. Hypocrisy is so detrimental to Christians, yet never really talked about within the Christian school movement. At least in a public school, you knew the majority of students were unsaved, therefore, you could somewhat understand why they acted the way they did. In the Christian school I attended, the Christian kids acted no different than public school kids, ye"
- "Within Fundamentalism there are often expectations set for the student body, but this often can be harmful. This is harmful when not properly explained. I believe that there needs to be proper training explaining the reasons for these expectations. This training should include both the students and the parents."
- "I would make sure the people hired were excellent servants of the Lord who would encourage kids to serve Him"
- "Christian schools need to be sensitive to the secular culture and not create a culture within themselves. They must teach their students how to live and respond in a secular culture while passionately serving their God. Another problem with Christian schools can be the existence of cliques and an insensitivity to saved and unsaved people who are different."
- "Christian schools (and colleges) seek to shelter children too much and tell them what to think. I would change the way the Christian school tries to live the student's life for him or her. Children must make the beliefs and decisions their own, or it will not stick. Also I plan on changing the fear/lack of science in Christian schools. Students must know the truth, not just escape from the teachi"
- "Place the Bible less academically, and make it personal. In other words, The Bible class, i would recommend be from the Home and church."
- "The emphasis on externals to the exclusion of the heart. Rules and standards are important, but I attended a school where I heard little about my pride, my natural tendency to rebel against God, my need to live for His pleasure."
- "I would make the schools to act more independently of the churches. (Many Christian schools simply become extensions of the church, further segregating the students from the world and other churches which are allowed to send their students to the school.)"
- "One reason I would not send my children to a Christian school is the integration of children from other religious beliefs (or non-religious beliefs) into the schools. There is a good influence by the teachers on those students who may never have any other opportunity to hear Christian doctrine and beliefs. But for ones like my children, who have been sheltered from other beliefs, it is more harm"
- "the emphasis on the outward and not on the heart. We are raising a bunch of hypocrites."
- "We should not be content that kids are Christian school kids, we must strive for holiness in life."
• "I would not insulate high school students from the world. They need training on how to impact the world, not sheltering."
• "There needs to be improvement on the academics and doctrinal training of students to prepare them for college."
• "The movement itself."
• "better academics"
• "There should be more emphasis on the heart issues over the matters of personal standards. Though standards are very important, they only follow after an individual as a true heart for God. I appreciate this emphasis in recent years by the leaders of the college where I attend."
• "I believe that many of the conservative schools focus too much on the outward appearance and end up pushing kids away."
• "I am not an expert, but I wonder if it would help the highschoolers of today, if Christian Highschools were seen as evangelistic tools. If the enrolment was controled, and the saved teens were organized, there could be the double benefit of reaching out to lost people and giving the saved teens an idea of what it means to be a new creature."
• "Having been to a Christian school myself, I have seen students who don't place Christ first in their life and some are downright rebellious. Yet, too often, those in authority at the schools either don't see it or don't do much of anything about it--if anything. I would stress the importance of instructing those students Biblically."
• "The lack of an attempt to find teachers qualified in their field, especially now that there are so many Christian colleges from which to hire qualified teachers. However, I am speaking from my Christian school experience, which is unique because the majority of the teachers at my Christian school are members of the pastor's family. The whole church ministry is a family-run business."
• "I would ditch the whole program. They are mass production factorys for false Christians."
• "The fact that it encourage the parents to shirk their God-given responsibility to educate their own children under the guise of ""deligation."" A 4 story house and a 60" screen tv with 3 cars are more important than personal instruction from parent to child."
• "more emphasis on context within local church ministry."
• "Part of the problem in Christian Schools today is worldliness. I think that encouraging the Spiritual life and accountability would be a great help. I also think that adding some classical aspects to our Christian education system would be a great help academically."
• "I would change the open enrollment policies many have and the emphasis many churches place on the school. The school is part of teh church...not vice versa" 
• "Philosophy. The Christian school movement needs to remember its sanctifying purpose."
• "Our parents were told that if they gave them (the Christian school) their children, that they would turn out right. Mother's left their home to pay for this, and it backfired. My generation is much less engaged for the Lord than the leaders of our parent's generation thought it would be. Women slowly moved into the work place, and now feminism has crept into our most fundamental of churches. T"
• "Depends on what the ""Christian School Movement"" entails. I think that Christian education is wonderful, but I also feel that Christians can make an impact on the world by attending public schools. Perhaps if the Christian School movement would reach out more (play sports with public schools, etc) that would be a more ""Great Commission"" way to conduct the Christian School System."
• "To be more open to the Public school students that are in the area and associate more with the Public school"
• "the overall sincerity and godly dedication of the teachers to the children and to the goal of Christian School - giving kids godly education and discipleship."
• "I would make sure that the academic standards were very high, and admittance was very strict, dress codes strongly enforced."
• "Need more of explicit teaching on the Gospel. Need less moralistic teaching of young people. Children need to see a God-centered vision of the world."
• "Pitch the strangle hold on outward conformity for the liberating teaching of biblical principles and doctrine."
• "Don't know, but usually churches that have a christian school have a lack of vision for the lost, and missions in general. Not always, but there seems to be a trend that way."
• "Christian Schools that do not have a church backing them. They are just a private school with ""Christian"" in the title."
• "It is the tail that wags the dog. Too often the Christian School runs the church instead of the other way around. Also, Biblical principles are not taught in school, just strict standards. This leads to a ""disenfranchisment"" of people in their Christian School."
• "I would emphasize practical application of spiritual truth, not just conforming to a standard."
• "Christian schools need to have a more thorough education at a better cost to the family. It seems that the better schools are too expensive for the average family, but the cheaper schools don't provide a very good education."
• "The opinion that there is only one right way to educate your children. i.e that all public schools are wicked and that using them is sin"
• "That they would focus more on the heart of the child instead of the making perfect little christians on the outside who do everything right, but their hearts are still struggling against God."
• "The dependence of parents on the Christian school for the spiritual nurture of their children"
• "Try not to beat the Bible into kids. Try to help them make it a heart decision."
• "I believe that the school has taken to much control on the biblical issues and have not let the church teach these issues."
• "Emphasis on the exterior, failure to deal with heart issues"
• "get rid of the politics that are involved in the school. That includes the students, parents and staff. There is a lot of hypocrisy in today's Christian schools."
• "Make it open enrollment across the board"
• "too many churches start christian schools because it is ""the thing to do""...many of them end up not being able to support the school and the church ministry lacks. also, i am a firm believer that christian schools are for CHRISTIANS, NOT a tool of evangelism for the lost"
• "I would like to see the schools train kids to know WHY they (the schools) believe and practice certain things. And in doing so, I would like to see schools train the students to know why they (the students) believe and practice certain things."
• "I would try to figure out some way to have the students more in touch with unsaved students their own age. I would try to think of some way for them to be in contact, but in a controlled environment."
• "I would change its perceived emphasis on ""full-time"" ministry vocations over secular vocations. It is a noble work to do full-time ministry, but not everyone is called by God to do it, and I think there are a lot of people currently in full-time ministry there because they were pressured or convinced it was the ""best"" or only ""good"" vocation."
• "more community involvement"
• "Many people are concerned with preferences and not that the Savior who is the Standard."
• "I don't know"
• "if attached to a local church don't the children feel like they are at church 6 days a week. I think that impacted my school and church in regards to the spiritual impact. They looked at going to church as school and school as church. There was no fine line between the two."
• "Emphasis on separation and standards."
• "The idea that the children have to come from your church to attend the school. I believe in today's society it should be an outreach."
• "emphasis on parental involvement along with greater focus on the heart rather than externals"
• "The Christian school movement has completely missed the boat with regard to fostering a relationship between students and the God of the Bible. Rather, relationships have been built between students and the rules they must comply with to be considered ""spiritual"" within their school, church, and ""religious"" community at large."
• "Improve academic programs for academically gifted students to at least the level of public school. Christian school students gifted academically are disadvantaged entering college compared to other students who went through advanced placement courses at public schools. Also, in the Bible
curriculum, put more of an emphasis on theology and apologetics (i.e. *why* we believe what we do)."

- "I believe that Christian schools have lost focus of their goal, the goal of discipling children. It should be a team effort of training children with the parents, teachers and church people. At least from my perspective, most teachers are too busy to disciple or they do not care enough for the students to take up their own time to do so."

- "Lack of true discipleship"

- "The legalistic views of many......dress code is fine, but you can't have kids walking around in suits all day every day. That's just ridiculous."

- "I believe that, idealy, children should be raised at home by their parents. This ensures that the children follow the same spiritual patterns that their parents want for them. When children come into close contact with other children their own age, especially for that amount of time, it is nearly impossible for parents to keep their children from desiring to be like their peers and focusing on bei"

- "The movement has failed, and will fail, because it is trying to create an artificial environment in which faith is not tested in the crucible of standing up for Christ in the world with string backing by parents and church at home. If the movement must continue, it should focus on evangelism and drastically improve its almost non-existent academics."

- "Christian schools should be specifically linked to churches and their focus should be on educating christians not evangelizing the lost."

- "If a child is not saved and growing by middles scholl they should not be allowed to attend. Too many Christians schools become a means for evangelization of trouble kids rather than a safe haven for saved ones. The church is to evangelize not the school."

- "Focus on obtaining the heart of the students on a daily basis."

- "The heart behind it. Many look at it as an elitist thing while it should be focused on the Bible first and foremost. Many have developed arogance in their schools."

- "The ""isolation"" feel of most schools. Sheltering already sheltered children makes it difficult for them to begin to understand and practice ""how to live"" in this current world."

- "The Christian schools too often turn out ""robots"" who cannot think for themselves once they are out from their parent, school, church's leadership. The grads have no idea what they believe or why, except that it's what they've always learned. They have no backbone because they've never had to take a stand or think for themselves."

- "Isolationism, monopolizing so much time"

- "That the focus is so much on academics and outward conformity rather than spiritual growth and heart change."

- ",the hypocrisy that oftentimes is a result of being in a Christian environment, school age children sometimes will just imitate, become ""cookie-cutter"" Christian"

- "A priority on discipleship rather than academics and sports."

- "Broadening of courses especially in High School"

- "Focus on externals and assumption that everyone who complies outwardly is okay."

- "More emphasis of a heart relationship with God."

- "be more involved with the parents. Change in the children is unlikely to happen unless the parents are teaching the same things at home and living it out."

- "The problem I see is the hearts of the kids. Only God can change that. But, we can change the emphasis on rules and other outward things so the focus is on their spiritual growth."

- "Stop focusing on the rules and start focusing on the reasons behind the rules. We've lost the ability to teach them Christlikeness, and instead we're teaching them conformity."

- "Mission emphasis"

- "I would change the way the Christian school calendar interferes with and even supersedes the local church calendar in importance. The school should be subservient to the church."

- "Better academics in an effort to ease the entry to tertiary studies."

- "I would change the fact that Christian schools seem to be putting out apathetic graduates! My graduating class was very apathetic, and most of the members of the class had grown up in
Christian education. I see this in the youth group we work with. More public school kids are interested in true spiritual growth than christian school kids."

- "That it never started. There are good things that have come from it. I went and will some day send my kids but we are losing the battle for the lives of teenagers in the public school in part I believe to the rise of the Christian school movement."
- "So many schools have an open enrollment where they accept students that are not even Christians."
- "I would focus on making sure that the kids who are in the Christian schools are really Christians. I would teach them what Christianity teaches and would encouraget them to accept it for themselves and not just because their parents believe it. They need to develop a strong personal relationship with their God themselves."
- "Don't have it."
- "Keep people out who aren't serious about living for the Lord. We want our Christian schools to be a stronger testimony for Christ, rather than watering down the message of sanctification, etc. Too many people are there who don't even profess to be Christians."
- "I would encourage everybody to get accredited. A school with no standing in the community or academic accountability(not spiritual or Biblical) is a testimony to fine christian education that is effective in teaching kids and glorifying God."
- "I'm still not sure how to accomplish this (and I've taught in the Christian School movement for three years). There is a desperate need for teenagers to stop living double lives. At school, they conform to the outward rules, with little bouts of rebellion in speech and dress. At home, they are allowed to live as they please, often "'calling the shots". And it seems like the heart issue is never"
- "Many things are overlooked in the lives of Christian school students. Teachers should be more involved one-on-one in the spiritual lives on their students."
- "Higher academic standards (in all areas, including Bible)."
- "Stricter hiring standards for teachers (many do not have teaching or appropriate college degrees) more interactions with "''the world". I went to the same church/Christian Day School. We were so involved with church and school activities that we had few/no opportunities to outreach/evangelize. I could probably count on less than 1 hand the number of unsaved friends/close acquaintances I had up"
- "the inevitability of existing within a bubble from which every student must then work to be able to be truly "''in the world,"'' yet not of it."
- "The parents! Christian schools are only as good as the parents allow them to be. The job of the school is not to raise kids, but to be a complement to what the kids are already being taught at home. If parents would raise their children rather than letting society and the mass media educate their children, it would drastically change the Christian school movement as we see it today. There woul"
- "more emphasis in training on the fine arts and appreciation of beauty educate kids on worldview and philosophy Challenge them!"
- "More emphasis on the spiritual needs of the kids. Too many lost kids graduating Christians schools and falling into hell. Plainly put."
- "My experience with Christian schools is that most of the problems are related to the parents of the students. They are not supportive of the teachers and side with their children, thus undermining the authority of the teacher."
- "Teaching staff should have the necessary academic qualifications, student academics should be held at the highest possible standard. Legalism in dress avoided, instead a common sense modesty guiding dress code, etc."
- "Lack of standards and Biblical teaching"
- "A better emphasis on the heart and not the externals, yet not to the sacrifice of godly standards"
- "Rid the school of neglecting the pursuit of esthetic and technological excellence"
- "Everything."
Appendix E
Question 70

What do you hope your generation can do for the cause of Christ?

- "I would love to see another awakening of the Holy Spirit. I would also love to see a wave of missionaries reaching out and starting growing ministries."
- "Reinstitute Biblical Christianity, particularly emphasizing the need to love God with all that I am and to love my neighbor as myself. To encourage unity with a balanced position on separation. Recover fundamentalist pulpits which have turned into neo-orthodox hotbeds—"I think this passage means this," instead of thus saith the Lord. (Pardon the KJism)."
- "Glorify God through our lives and through fulfilling his commission"
- "Make disciples of all nations."
- "Reach more for Christ and encourage those who have Him"
- "Reach out to those in need. Be loving and show the world how Christians are supposed to act. "You might be on only Bible some people read."
- "Keep the church focused on doing what glorifies God, not pleasing self"
- "Reach the lost and edify the believer."
- "Return churches to a God centered ministry focused on Biblical worship, world evangelism, and a burden for holy living."
- "I can't say that I view my Christianity generationally. I have concerns for my generation as they face a world trying to live without absolutes."
- "I hope the believers of my generation can rethink their Christianity, gain a more biblical view of the work of Christ on the cross and in the individual's life, learn what it means to truly worship God, and be involved in a vibrant relationship with the Saviour. Through this, I hope that through building relationships with others, my generation might be able to effectively witness and share the g""
- "That we will become cold and not take the things of God seriously (relationship w/God)"
- "THIS GENERATION IS BECOMING MORE PERVERSE."
- "That because we are frustrated with the old school fundamenatist, we disregard what they have fought so hard for."
- "I believe that my generation has the opportunity to step up and become active in churches, youth ministries, etc."
- "I would hope that my generation can spread the gospel by emphasizing the deliverance from sin AND the renewed relationship with God. I also hope that we will be able to more effectively reach those in the world."
- "Understanding the core purposes for the Church and devoting our energies to the ESSENTIAL elements of being a servant of Jesus Christ"
- "Live like Christ everyday. Not just with words, but with heart actions. Learn not to be afraid of the unsaved. Realize they need Christ and it's ok to be friends with them and show them His love and His essence. Realize that people are not spiritual just because they may hold to high standards. Learn to focus on the important issues of this world and not major on the minor issues. Write more books."
- "Reach the church in China"
- "be faithful to the commands of Jesus in Matt 28:18-20, and get out the gospel. maybe start another "great century of missions" get back to defending the Bible and not our own philosophy (KJV only, music)"
- "There is nothing special about my generation. It can serve Christ by being witnesses for Him, worshipping and glorifying Him, and serving Him at home, through the church, and in the community--just like every other generation after the incarnation."
- "Not give up our biblical truths."
- "make it relevant in order to address what people are experiencing every day. make it interesting in order to draw people to hear the message-- multimedia ready. make it about building relationships in order to win people and disciple them thoroughly make it about application based
on biblical doctrine in order to teach believers how to make Godly decisions on their own. make it about"

- "Spread a vision of God's glory through a strong emphasis on critical thinking about the Word of God. Be strong in shepherding the next generation."
- "That they will continue to follow in the worlds footsteps"
- "I hope that my Generation (Generation X) will be lit on fire from God's Word to get out into our nation and reach out to our neighbors, co-workers, and families with the Gospel. I hope we won't make the same mistakes of our Fundamentalist fore-fathers and get bogged down in and internal conflict of minor church issues, and that instead we will focus on the true enemy, Satan. I hope that we will"
- "improve the direction "'family'" is taking. Begin bulding solid family enviroments for the future generations"
- "Show that Christ is the Messiah that was promised in the OT"
- "have a stronger desire to win the lost for Christ"
- "I hope that my generation can pull together and be an example of Christ in the world. I also pray that people my age develop more of an interest in reaching lost souls for Christ."
- "Continue in the great commission, open our lives, hearts, and homes to discipleship. Pray, fellowship, really seek God and learn his word. Seek his will for our lives."
- "Bring forth revival such as in the days of Edwards and Whitefield."
- "Stay true to God's Word and not depart from it"
- "We are the generation of tomorrow. We can help to swing the pendulum back towards the other side a bit and help people see that life for Christ is not about a set of rules and regulations but about knowing Christ-the rest will follow right behind."
- "Stand against anti-Christian legislation."
- "Establish a movement (or idea) that does not get caught in the muck of legalism, but that rather is striving to take the Bible literally, and to obey what it says. I believe that as a result of that lost souls will be reached. However, as long as we are arguing over stupid things, we are wasting a lot of energy."
- "Be real. Show the world that Christ changes people inside-out. In the past, people have accused Christians of being hypocrites (and often with good reason), but I hope our generation of Christians can be filled with the spirit and impacting others thru the reality of Christ in our lives"
- "I hope that my generation can build up centers for training where believers can meet together and be encouraged to love and good deeds: churches. I hope we can become members who are part of one another's lives and part of the communities around us, so that we reach out to each other and to lost people where we live."
- "I hope that we can show lost people how Christ can change their lives. I think that we often tend to focus on the outward and I think that that is not a good testimony for Christ. I think that we need to show people that we have a heart for Christ, and that He is the One Who is working in our hearts. It is not us who works, it is Christ. We need to forget about our own glory/humiliation and ai"
- "Abandon ourselves to intimately know and passionately proclaim the glories of Jesus Christ."
- "Build the church of God in America with solid, Christ-loving Christians from every race, background, and economic level."
- "To make a difference in their families lives for Christ."
- "Maintain doctrinal fidelity, reach out to our cities, overcome our minor differences"
- "I would like to see us take the time to develop a passion for the lost and show them personally how Christ can change their life and bring them to a vibrant worship of and walk with God. I would like to see revival in America."
- "$ accept it. further it."
- "$ Reach people with the Gospel first, then teach against all of the compromise the church has had with the World"
- "$ Hopefully be strong in our beliefs and not waver from Biblical teaching. The world is getting worse and it will be harder to reach the lost."
• "Correct the errors of our predecessors and return to a more Biblical foundation for our activities (rather than traditions)"
• "Preach the Bible and not standards. Reach out into the community and make a difference."
• "Get real about missions and realize we are here to reach the lost and doing that we will be bringing glory to God"
• "continue to make and mature disciples for the glory of God"
• "I believe that the generation who saw the rebirth of Israel in 1948 is the generation who will see Christ's return. Therefore, we need to really spread the Gospel and bring others to the truth, and warn them about what is coming."
• "I would love to see a more concerted endeavor for missions both foreign and domestic. Furthermore, I think if God would allow our generation to insense the one to follow with a deep passion for the doctrines of Scripture and the Majesty of God, then we will have taken some excellent steps."
• "Recover a focus on the supremacy of the gospel"
• "Evangelism. I think my generation could reach so many people for Christ."
• "teach their children sound doctrine and have them able to defend it"
• "Edify, Encourage, Disciple, Fulfill the Great Commission, Bring Revival to America, etc."
• "I hope we can point the lost to Christ and edify one another in biblical truth"
• "Put the irrelevant issues aside and focus on reaching the lost for Christ and discipling them."
• "reach others of our generation, because it starts with them. the next generation depends on the one preceeding it. and our world become more disgusting everyday."
• "Find a way to rescue teens from the trap of worldly entertainment, both saved and unsaved teens."
• "Live the Gospel and reach others for Christ. Show the world real Christianity."
• "Lead a revival in America/Britain, Train believers of third-world nations to reach the 10-40 window"
• "A little open-ended, but I would like to see us penetrate Islamic countries with the Gospel."
• "be a testimony through the way we live. Show love to reach the lost(by this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if you have love one for another). Be ready always to give an answer of the hope that is in us. Become a generation of people with strong prayer lives."
• "Win Souls, have a sole focus of God's glory"
• "I hope our generation continues to reach our lost world for Christ. With more open doors around the world than ever before (with the fall of communism and the gradual opening of China), we have an obligation to reach ""billions"" of people who have never heard the gospel. I hope our generation, while seeking to reach abroad, does not fail to overlook the mission field at home. Our country needs r"
• "I truly hope that we can show the world a genuine, real expression of Christianity by being people who imitate and follow Christ and biblically love one another as believers. This will make a profound impact!"
• "Model and pass on a passion for Christ to the next generation of believers."
• "I hope that my generation will have our hearts set on fire by God and that we would be a tool that God would use to start a revival in America"
• "stop being seen as wackos, and actually reach out to those in need of Christ and don't alienate them"
• "Send missionaries. Disciple through better counseling and use that as an outreach to addicts and homosexuals."
• "Spread a passion for seeing, savoring (enjoyment and worship), and sharing Jesus Christ. To restore a God-centeredness to life and ministry. To pull away from program-focused ministry and embrace relationship-focused ministry. To refocus our kingdom identity on the internals rather than the externals. To exalt grace over law. To worship in spirit and in truth. To shift from duty driven living"
• "Turn the focus back on HIM. First and foremost. To stop confusing the issues when it comes to what focussing on Him means. It doesn't mean that you do or do not listen to such and such music, or whatever--not really. The right focus on such a blinding, bright Goodness, and bowing to that
goodness in humility and overwhelming praise (the only acceptable response to truly seeing Him) will result in"

- "Be faithful and stand up for truth. Focus on what really matters."
- "Emphasize right doctrine above all else. Reintroduce a focus on the grace of God and the glory in every aspect of life."
- "Reach the lost through church-planting and building relationships with the lost around the world."
- "I want to see my generation get a fresh ACCURATE idea of who God really is, and then be able to share that with others!"
- "Hopefully hold the dike against the incoming tide of materialism and faithlessness."
- "Make others realize the errors on certain issues and be ready to biblically support our answers."
- "Emphasize right doctrine above all else. Reintroduce a focus on the grace of God and the glory in every aspect of life."
- "Start more churches, care for errant theology, win more unbelievers to Christ, create a greater zeal for biblical Christianity with elements of personal and ethnic diversity while dealing with problems. Fueling missions of the gospel more with the finances of believers."
- "Realize that the field is the world and Christ's return is imminent. We need to be telling everyone, at home and abroad, about the Good News of the Gospel."
- "Begin the next ""Great Awakening""."
- "reach the lost with a passion for souls"
- "Live the Gospel as best as possible and not rely on moralism/standards as previous generations"
- "bring a reformation in the text and theology (promoting God's glory and freedom in all things) redefine authentic Christianity reverse the trend of anti-intellectualism that prevails spread the gospel to the ends of the earth"
- "Glorify God, live by biblical principles, and reach out to others."
- "Same thing other generations have done and should have done. Live the Word, preach the Word, be instant in season and out of season, stand for what is right."
- "I would love to see my generation return to a Reformation mindset, holding to the five solas. I want to see our ministries meeting the needs of real people through intentional discipleship, aggressive outreach and expositional preaching. I want us to live and minister by the motto,""It's all about Him.""
- "See the gospel spread."
- "evangelize & disciple"
- "I hope that they can be willing to stand up for the Lord without compromising as has been happening."
- "To restore a passion for God among all the people of God (thus destroying our artificial distinction between clergy and laity) so irresistible that it carries us to every corner of the globe and to every people group with the message ""The Lord reigns ... Let the nations be glad!""
- "Make Him uppermost in all the affections of all people, everywhere"
- "Exalt and glorify His name in the community, state, nation, and world through solid, Biblical preaching, teaching, and discipling."
- "I think we have a lot of potential to make a huge impact, especially with all the resources available to us. I hope that we don't get caught up in what we can have, but that we can bring a revival to America by praying and being an example."
- "deepen our love for Christ, making our actions attractive to a lost world, reaching them with the reality of Christ and how He is the ""way truth and light."
- "Glorify God by obeying the Scripture"
- "create a genuine Christianity that the world recognizes as true, holding moral values, and standing for biblical beliefs"
- "Bring the focus to God and the Bible, and not to movements and issues."
- "see many come to Christ and focus on a relationship with God instead of issues"
- "Reach the world in an era with unprecedented possibilities in this area."
- "be faithful to spread the gospel and glorify Him through service"
- "Plant churches and assist church planters in taking the gospel to unreached areas of the earth."
"Bring up a Godly family that is a good testimony for Christ and a good example to others, Christian or non-Christian. Try to build other Christians up and be of good positive encouragement to them."

"Teach my Generation to set their hope in God, not forget the works of God and keep his commandments."

"Become more scattered and give the gospel to everyone that will hear"

"Get the gospel out like it was in they days of Paul."

"Speak more to coworkers and develope genuine relationships with lost people. Look for ways to work our Christian values and beliefs into conversations. Many people will think ore about the gospel if you show genuine concern for their problems. We need to treat even the most lost people the gospel through our testimony and work ethic. Too many of my generation dont speak at all of Christ with their"


"Stand up against allowing the government to make laws that allow more immorality. Send out more missionaries."

"reach the 4000 people groups still with out their own compleate translation of the Bible."

"I hope that our generation can win many lost to Christ. As the population of the world increases, so should our efforts to reach them with the gospel."

"We need to break down the barriers between OURSELVES first, then we will be more effective in outreach."

"Carry the torch and pass it to the next generation. Develop a balanced, caring approach to ministry while still remaining doctrinally sound in our teaching and practice."

"can come to christ ,serve him amd try to spread his words to the one who dont have it."

"become a generation totally sold out to God and with a passion to reach the lost, and grow the saved"

"Get out of the world's junk and learn how to seek God. Stop quoting movies and start sharing Christ with people. Live as though called by God to a higher purpose and calling than nominal Christianity. Learn theology and live in awe of God, thereby living as a testimony of a living Savior."

"Reach out to those around with the Gospel,"

"I hope that we can take the knowledge and foundation that has been laid for us and add to it the zeal of youth. God can do much with people who know Him and want others to know Him too."

"grow spiritually mature teenagers"

"I hope and pray that the current generation will do more than any generation for the cause of Jesus Christ. I want to see sense of urgency develop among young people. I want to see more of us deciding to forsake all distractions and follow Christ in a radical sort of way. I really believe that since we serve the same God and have the same Holy Spirit as the apostles had that we could see this wo"n

"Make sure that sheep are sheep and that believers are discipled."

"Call believers back to a radical abandonement to the only thing that matters, life in light of eternity, lead believers in a God-fearing and adoring love for the only source of truth, His Word, and ever point unbelievers to the only way, Christ."

"Turn the World upside down"

"Spark a great revival in America"

"change the foreign world"

"Help others get a grip on the problems of today. Getting people to realize that we can't live in the past! We must apply biblical principles to the issues at hand and surge forward to present the gospel to a needy world. Get the people to see the reality of the Christian life, it's not just something that we do on Sunday's for social benefit, or use because we really need some help. Build a relati"

"Become better (more Word and God-centered) preachers and teachers."

"I hope that we can see revival in the hearts of our fellow christians. I don't believe that revival as a nation is possible until members of churches see revival on a personal and then churchwide level."
• "Cause a revival in the lives of other Christians and increase their zeal for bringing the lost to Christ."
• "I hope we can reach the lost for the cause of Christ."
• "Raise the next generation to be good christians and ready to serve God no matter what."
• "Make a difference"
• "Love the lost, see them saved, and grow to maturity, raise Godly, balanced children, and repair the damage done to the name of Christianity."
• "Turn the world upside down like what was recorded in the book of Acts"
• "Turn our culture back to its biblical foundations."
• "Have revival on a personal level that will expand to the world."
• "DISPEL THE INCORRECT BELIEFS ABOUT CHRISTIANITY SO THAT PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A CLEAR CHOICE ABOUT SALVATION"
• "Bring as many as possible to a saving knowledge of Christ."
• "reach out to those who would not be the most likely to have any friends and give them hope and Christ's love. improve missions as well."
• "turn the world upside down"
• "Preach the gospel to all the world."
• "revival"
• "I hope that we can somehow reach Christians in a way that will cause heart change, not simply a conforming to rules. Also, I believe that missions/evangelism and discipleship is definitely lacking."
• "Take the gospel to unreached peoples. Live lives of holiness before the lost. Gladly proclaim Jesus died for our sins."
• "I hope that my generation can regain a passion for the lost, as well as a passion for the Christians around us. I would love to see my generation move the Missions Movement into the 10/40 window like it has never been done before. I also hope that my generation will take a greater effort in investing in the following generation like we ought to do, so that the next generation will live for Chris"
• "Reach the unreached - the open mission fields where Christ is not preached. Besides that, we need to evangelize and disciple the next generation and educate them on WHY they should believe what they should believe."
• "With such a screwed up world in which we live all my generation can do is continue to hold the line and hope God does a work in society."
• "Recreate a sense of community that the church has abandoned because of the big church building era which has defined this generation. Get the church fellowship and growth back in the homes and small groups."
• "Win Souls. That is always the main thing. Then Disciple. May God flip the world upside down in this generation."
• "To preach the gospel without sugar coating it, but in a loving way."
• "Reach much of the 10/40 window for Christ."
• "Lead a new movement that focuses on Christ-centered preaching and God-centered worship. Most importantly, reaching the lost with the gospel"
• "I hope that we can make the key issue the key issue: the grace of Christ in the lives of sinners. I hope that we can see revival in the lives of others because we show forth the love of Christ."
• "reach the world with the gospel"
• "The Middle East needs to be evangelized. I hope the war going on right now and the government being established will allow freedom of religion so we can loosen the hold of Islam. The following is a disclaimer for the next question. Sorry it's in the wrong spot. I would love to have a ministry that has a world-wide influence. A lot of that is because of pride however. Let God use me as He de"
• "Establish a real, genuine faith that is based on the presence of Christ in us, rather than on external standards and performance."
• "Spread the gospel, baptize, and disciple people, one person at a time."
"continue in the Godly heritage that has been set for us, and work on the areas that are getting weak in christian circles."

"Win souls and teach about Who God/Christ really are!!"

"Break through intellectual barriers of others, and reach the lost."

"Reach people through building relationships and seeing communities changed to the glory of God. Not seeing Christians huddled together in their own private clique. People truly making an impact for the world that shows the true power of the gospel and grace of Christ. I hope to see really strong churches as oppose to para-church organizations. Churches broken up into small groups where people are"

"glorify Him through the 5 basic purposes of the Church, and to raise up another generation to be even more apt to do so."

"Reach our friends and acquaintances for Christ."

"point others to the necessity of the Gospel in others' lives"

"Let Christ have preeminence in their lives so that others see Christ in us and not only get saved, but draw cold & lukewarm Christians to a consistently close walk with God."

"glorify him in all ways"

"Glorify God through obedience to His Word"

"Learn to think through education and godly, thinking teachers, so that they can learn to think Biblically and address the issues of people and churches in a rational, yet God-honoring way. In addition, I hope that my generation can learn the value of prayer and Bible study and meditation, along with obedience, so that by God's grace we can make a difference in the lives of people around us, whether"

"I hope that we can help to reform to the point where it can be said of us also that "'These that have turned the world upside down'"

"reach them with the life changing gospel of Jesus Christ."

"As Fundamentalism seems to be slipping due to compromise and many of this generation do not see the need to stand firm in the faith and Biblical separation, I would pray God would use us to plant Fundamental Baptist churches to spread the Gospel, reach many more for Christ through stronger programs in the church for evangelism. So many doctrines are being put aside and hearts need to be turned to"

"I hope my generation can survive spiritually even after all we've been sold about sex, drugs, alcohol, evolution, etc. I hope we do our part to keep the Great Commission as Jesus Christ has commanded us to until He comes."

"That is can divert the attention of the lost from the rules and regulations of fundamentalism to the Cross and resurrection of Christ. So many unbelievers just see what they cannot do and don't see the joy of serving Christ in the lives of Christians around them. We serve an awesome God and in no way should we back down from the literal interpretation of the Scriptures. We need to stand up for what is"

"Become more of a force or voice in speaking out against gross immorality and rebuilding the morale and morals of the churches."

"What I hope every generation would--- spread His Word. Preach the Gospel. Glorify Him."

"Reach out to more lost people by discipling them, not evangelising. Also demyth the strict fundamentalism by showing the community what the Bible says about the issues, not what the church says."

"Bring back a truly doxological center in Christian lives."

"Bring at least some of a lost and dying world to Christ. Be bold for the cause of Christ."

"become real disciples, not this generation of spoon fed cake-eating christians who dont know what they believe or why they believe it"

"Encourage others to grow close to him and serve where God leads me and raise Godly children"

"reach and disciple the next generation"

"I hope that my generation of fundamentalists can get beyond the petty, extrabiblical issues that have divided fundamentalism in the past and focus on reaching their community and world for Christ, not just in evangelism, but in discipling and training the next generation of leaders."
"First, Reach out to others in a way that would be pleasing to God. I believe that Christians today are afraid to share our faith. We should ask the Lord to have boldness to share our faith. Second, get involved with politics. It will only get worst if we do not do anything"

"Solidify the views of the Fundamentalist faith from a Biblical view and not rely solely on what other people think."

"reach the lost world more effectively and teach believers better"

"Fight for christ and not worry about little fundamentals."

"I would like to see my generation continue to plant churches both here in the states and also on the mission field."

"Bring it back to Christ."

"Reach all the earth with His gospel"

"Change the moral decline in America by reaching souls for the Lord, and hopefully put off that time when "'evil men shall wax worse and worse.'" Disciple and grow effective believers and personalize their individual ministries to their friends and neighbors."

"I want to see a revival like What dl moody saw and jonathan edwards."

"Grow into new leaders"

"Reach the world with the Gospel"

"Make disciples of all nations, baptizing them, teaching them to obey everything Jesus taught."

"glorify God (and not ourselves)."

"Return to the values that society possessed fifty years ago, before America gave herself up to filth and immorality."

"Spread the Word."

"Push aside legalistic and unconvicting views of Christianity and have a better outreach, I hope that we can get people to realize what Christianity is all about. I want to help people realize that its not about rules, and its not about fellowship. It's about a loving relationship with Jesus Christ."

"Increase out outreach and understanding of our contemporary (post-modern) generation. This may require a change in our method of evangelism. It will certainly require us to move outside of our comfort zones and learn to understand the way secular young people think."

"I hope we can add the life lacking in the older generation, while respecting their opinions, and at the same time have a solid approach to biblical issues. We need to impact our culture and the youth of our culture by discipleship and Christlike exemplary living."

"Advance the Fundamental-Dispensational-Baptist Churches...and hold strong to the faith in the Almighty Christ."

"get back to the Bible being the basis for our beliefs, not what our denomination(s) has/have always done."

"impact others to want to serve God with there own lives so that they can reach others."

"Disciple and mentor other guys to a deeper, more joyous relationship with Christ"

"Impact the world around us through lives that clearly show that Christ is the only source of the grace needed to face the complex issues of our lives and our world."

"everything they can"

"learn the bible more"

"Be faithful to His word in obedience to His commands. This is a FULL topic of discussion."

"Stand firm for the truth completely even in the face of persecution and preach the Gospel clearly."

"Simply win souls and disciple them to become better Christians."

"reach more people with the gospel"

"Channel the Clearest presentation of Jesus Christ to the Lost and the church."

"What is this question? I hope that we can do what the disciples did! turn the world upside down!"

"To bring Revival back to America"

"Reach the nations opening up to the gospel (ie: the orient)"

"Build and strengthen current churches to change communities and see a revival of people's interest in the things of God and see many saved."

"Learn to become accurate representatives for the person and message of Christ"
• "Change the way believers are viewed."
• "Develop a passion for the Word, Actively apply Scripture to life situations' Be actively, biblically involved in our cultures and community issues for the glory of and testimony for the Lord".
• "Help bring our movement to a much more Christocentric view of every aspect of life."
• "Get back to the basics of teaching people the Word of God, seeing souls saved, and emphasizing discipleship."
• "reach out to the lost"
• "Reach more lost souls (for salvation) and encourage the new believer's to live for Christ and serve in good Bible-believing churches."
• "Turn our culture's attention to the greatness and transformational power of Jesus Christ."
• "It would be to lead many to Christ and root those soles in the faith so they can teach others also."
• "Reach our own communities and nation"
• "Break barriers, and unite as one church to spread the gospel."
• "Train the next generation. Lord-willing teaching them how to train the generation that will follow them."
• "Verbally, clearly share the gospel and practice Belief in the sufficiency of Scriptures."
• "salvation and sanctification of as many people as possible"  
• "Clarify issues for fundamentalism. Major on majors. Pass on the faith to the next generation."
• "Disciple and mentor"
• "Stand up for Christ and know God's word. stand up for the rights that the Bible tells you to have. Win as many people to Christ as they can."
• "Bring authenticity & respectability to Christianity by passionately knowing & living for God"
• "strengthen the family and pass on our beliefs"
• "The break down of the family is taking it's toll on the church. We struggle in our church to find men who even have the simple qualifications to be a deacon. My husband and I pray and are actively working in our church to strengthen the families, especially of those newly saved. We live in a community that has been rocked by divorce. We pray and work in our area to see lasting change for Chris"
• "Extend it."
• "strengthen it mostly- Christ's name has been dragged through the mud in the past few decades (and it's our fault), i would love to see us represent our faith to the world in a positive way by example not by preaching at them and condemning them for doing it wrong, but by silently showing them with our daily living, that we have a better way."
• "Cause to grow in love and truth"
• "I don't understand exactly what you are looking for with this question."
• "Win the Lost"
• "Reach out to the lost instead of running from them"
• "Show God's love in tangible ways to those who are lost, hurting or confused. Point others to Christ by helping them learn who God really is, not just what rigid people say he is by the inflexible demands they place on Christians. It's ok to be a growing and changing Christian, sanctification doesn't have an end point in this life."
• "Show a difference"
• "Restore a right philosophy of worship and truly fulfill the mandate of the great commission to make and mature disciples for the glory of God."
• "I hope we can reach out to our unsaved co-workers and friends with genuine love and lead them to Christ. Our society is hurting and we have the answer. We need to figure out creative ways (perhaps vary from or augment the traditional formats of door-to-door evangelism and mass revival services) to reach our generation for Christ. We need to keep emphasizing the fundamental doctrines, we need to de"
• "Build sound, diverse, disciple-making churches that are relevant to the times."
• "Win the lost and disciple the believers."
• "Reach the millions of people who have not yet heard the Gospel of Christ, and revive those who have grown lukewarm in their passion for the cause of Christ."
"Winsomely and persuasively present the truths of the Gospel to the lost world, providing a credible voice in the "marketplace of ideas" in our postmodern world. Be a part of God's work through His Church to expand the influence of the Gospel on people's lives and on societal institutions."

"Get back to an emphasis on local church ministry rather than para-church organizations."

"reach the lost"

"reach the nations"

"Witness, see people saved, disciple them"

"I pray my generation can reach the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I also believe that my generation has the full capability to returning to a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ."

"I pray that my generation will become biblical in their thinking. I hope churches will equip them to do the work of the ministry (evangelism, hospitality, missions, etc.) In short, I pray that we can better know God and make him known to a lost and dying world around us."

"Find a good balance on issues. Reach everyone, not just yuppies. Internalize the Bible."

"Reach more lost"

"be an example to the lost"

"Magnify Him and see Him return to take a growing group home for eternity."

"I hope our generation will not become complacent in our belief, that Christians of all ages will be actively involved in ministry and reaching lost people with the Gospel, and that we will not slip into the beliefs of relativism."

"turn the world upside down"

"Model a quality, accurate, powerful relationship with God that is all about simple, Spirit-led obedience. I hope we can model a life of loving God with every part of ourselves and loving our neighbor as ourselves."

"Reform the household. Educate the ignorant Fundamentalists who are loyal to the Bible, but not to studying it. Give the focus the the church of Fearing God."

"I hope our generation can present the gospel to unbelievers. I hope that more unbelievers will come to know Christ as their personal believer."

"My hopes concerning my generation are very reserved. I will not hope for much, and then I will not be disappointed. The most I can hope for is that the Fundamentalists will become spiritually deeper (read: liturgical), and intellectually more subtle (read: they will start studying philosophy and classical theology)."

"By living a God honoring life and testifying of God's grace, to convince people of the reality of God and their need for Jesus Christ."

"lead people to Christ in these last days"

"Learn to focus on the evangelism and discipleship of individuals. Fundamentalism is currently more concerned with nit picking than with making a difference for Christ."

"I hope my generation can reach out to the lost around us and win them to Christ without being legalistic."

"Be MORE outspoken.. not afraid"

"Get back to understanding and teaching the principles of Scripture."

"be better at giving out the Word of God and have a sensitive consiousne"

"Help bring more people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Influence young people to love God more than anything else in their life."

"show and tell Christ to the world"

"*evangelise the lost. We've neglected witnessing for Christ!! *Hold onto what so many before us have fought for. Times are getting worse, we will soon be in a fight again to maintain the truth and our freedom to beleive and teach and preach it."

"spread a passion for the supremacy of God in all things for the joy of all people through Jesus Christ"

"Capture the character of Christ and live for him completely(to glorify him)."

"I would like to see my generation reach into the middle east and northern africa because there is a great need in muslim countries for bold christians to go and spread the gospel."
"Bring people to Christ through sound doctrine, personal relationships and setting every new believer on the road to discipleship based on God's Word. Train families to engender a spiritually healthy environment in their own homes so that the next generation of Christians are sound in the faith."

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"So that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world, holding forth the Word of life...""

"help lead more people to him before it is too late"

"I would like to see us make the Gospel something that people want to hear about. There is a view of Fundamentalism that I think turns people off to the Gospel. I would like to see that change and to see us live our lives in a way that reflects Christ's love and holiness, yet shows us to be real people."

"Get a grasp on the Sovereignty of God and passionately spread His glory throughout the nations of the world."

"prayerfully more missionaries will come out of our generation, more pastors and more who are willing to stand up for the cause of Christ"

"Lead people to a greater relationship with Christ."

"See a revival in Christians so that we can have the fire we need to reach the lost as we ought to!"

"Focus on a relationship with Christ and live life based on Him rather than a series of standards. Bring balance to fundamentalism."

"Reach the lost college students for Christ and train them theologically and doctrinally so they can reach their own people."

"Glorify God and Jesus Christ."

"Spread the gospel throughout the world and have an impact wherever the Lord places them whether in "full-time ministry" or a full-time job or at home. Also, our generation needs to pass on the fundamentals to the next generation"

"Reach people where they are, instead of making them conform to our "standards." We need to make people realize that God will take them just as they are, and He doesn't require them to clean up their act first, or dress a certain way."

"Reach our own generation with the gospel. I believe that the young people of our world can best be reached by the young people who are Christians."

"Get away from our entertainment-based society"

"I hope that we can go out and build strong churches and send out many more missionaries."

"show that there's power in the blood and that the saving grace of Jesus redeems, and NOT going to church, being a "good person", etc."

"TO KNOW CHRIST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! TO ESTABLISH A GENUINE RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS & WITH THE CHURCH BODY - TO LIVE LIVES THAT TRULY SEEK CHRIST! To quote John Piper, ... to find a "GOD-CENTERED, CHRIST-EXALTING, BIBLE-SATURATED PASSION" and say it, live it & die for it. TO KNOW CHRIST & TO LIVE FOR HIS GLORY"

"Be more vocal about our stance and win lost hearts. Over run the liberal media and liberal voices and be as vocal as they are now about what we know is right."
• "Call the rest of Evangelical (including Fundamentalist) Christianity to a consistent walk. Be less apologetic in some of the things that really count in ministry, like solid-meat preaching, personal discipleship within the church, and church discipline."

• "Wow! This is quite the loaded question! I believe that our generation has the potential to unify biblical Christianity and significantly further the cause and Kingdom of Christ. We have been blessed with a heritage of godly men who have fought the battles to defend doctrinal orthodoxy, and have provided for us an example of passion for the ministry and the spread of the Gospel. Our generation"

• "raise godly families"

• "reverse stereotypes. separate from TRUE worldliness. convince fundamentalists who call themselves conservative-evangelicals to join us."

• "I hope that we can return the focus to a Biblical ministry and Biblical preaching"

• "Become genuinely in love with God and thereby impact the community around us."

• "Go and make disciples"

• "I hope my generation will be able to accurately reflect Christ's mission in the world to reach and teach people with the gospel in a strategic way, implementing technology, new methods where possible and biblically feasible, all for the express end of bringing the nations to worship Christ to the glory of the Father."

• "Love people"

• "grow in grace and knowledge, reach souls, extend Christ love to lost and dying world"

• "Preach the absolute truths of scripture to a relativistic society"

• "Bring life to Fundamentalist churches. I'm tired of seeing fundamental churches being legalistic and dead. I'd like to see young people get a heart for God rather than rely on standards to make them holy."

• "That we can make people see that salvation is the only way to get to heaven. Not through works. Also, that being a Christian isn't being boring and straight edge and it's my way or the highway type of theology."

• "HAve people to see that opportunity that awaits us to push the cause of Christ further than it has been ion many years"

• "Help turn AMERICA back to the Godly foundations we were built upon. I believe if we reach the youth of america we will have a greater chance of changing the direction of America. I want to see souls saved, churches grow, new churches be built, and more Christians to start living how God wants them to live."

• "Get zealous about our own walk with God and then infiltrate the world with the Gospel as an overflow ministry"

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• "take the Word to the world"

• "i hope that it can encourage the next generation to keep on and follow Christ. i hope that it can reach the world for Him."

• "Bring balanced, Biblical ministry - not pushing preferences but preaching, teaching, and living Biblical truth, allowing people the room needed to grow."

• "continue to take the gospel to all nations, adapting to cultures and using all available and legitimate means to do so"

• "I hope my generation can be a generation that is taken with Christ, and who's chief desire is to glorify and serve him. I hope the world will see that Christ is relevant and many will believe."

• "Reemphasize the work of Christ on behalf of believers and free them from the undue burdens of man-made law. Encourage those freed believers to walk in love and the faith of Christ."

• "live out the gospel before them authentically"

• "See more people saved and discipled, defend the faith authentically and intelligently in an increasingly secular culture"
• "turn the world upside down"
• "Bring revival and turn around the course of our nation"
• "I would pray that my generation would be able to help people around the world live out a God-centered theology."
• "Cause the world to become more Biblically thinking and reject the teaching of moderism. Spread the gospel, and make more disciples"
• "Passionately oppose the materialism and the modernistic lifestyles which promote man rather than God."
• "Maybe take another step in Fundamentalism. I think the older generation fought the fight. Now we have an opportunity to show the world what a real Christian looks like. Someone with conviction, yet someone who is also humble and loving towards those around him."
• "be willing to forgo the materialism of the previous generation and embrace the sufferings of Christ for the gospel"
• "I hope they realize that they can't do anything for the cause of Christ except to believe on Christ. The real question is, "What can Christ do for my generation."
• "Lead our country back to fundamental and Biblical thought and reason. Perhaps a far-fetch, but the commitment of the average church member needs to change. (this does not exclude myself.)"
• "start a revival and be on fire with whole-hearted service to the Lord."
• "Further the truth of the gospel and encourage the growth of the Kingdom of God."
• "Emphasize a genuine prayer life, deeper bible study, and building genuine friendships with other believers as well as genuine relationships with unsaved people that need to hear the Gospel. Emphasize discipleship of new believers so that they understand the major themes of the Bible and how it all works together."
• "Preach the Gospel to the lost & show them the way to Christ. Disciple them in the Word & equip them to evangelize others"
• "Advance it"
• "Become more educated in Biblical things."
• "exalt Him with positive, love-filled lives and ministries so that He is honored throughout the entire world"
• "Actually magnify HIM. Exalt His name among the heathen and praise His name in the presence of the whole earth. evangelize out of passion instead of obligation."
• "Be authentic christians Develop and educate their minds to be able to reason intelligibly and think for themselves"
• "spread the gospel to every creature"
• "Continue to reach people with the Gospel, disciple them and train them to reach others."
• "Go back to our roots."
• "Be used of God and bring more lost to Him. I also pray that we can fight against the liberalism of today (i.e. feminism, abortion, gay-rights, etc.)"
• "I hope this generation will erase the negative image that has been associated with Christians and people of faith. Through that, I hope to see more people saved to the glory of God."
• "Win more people to Christ"
• "We need to be relevant to the society around us, yet not a part of (i.e. not friendly) to the evils of our society. Fundamentalists have appeared and acted like we are 50 years behind the times."
• "Get the gospel to people without being unnecessarily divisive, reach out to groups that currently don't have a strong gospel witness."
• "Be more real. Not have a mask."
• "Turn it up side down like the Apostle Paul did in the first century"
• "Spread the gospel. Plant churches."
• "Revival"
• "Stop the decline of morals in America by seeing many people come to Christ and thousands of churches planted  Pray for God to send a genuine Spirit-caused revival to our world  See unreached areas of the world (i.e. Southeast Asia, Middle East) with indigenous churches that are glorifying to God."
• "I hope that they can keep the first and great commandment and be caught up in the vain philosophy of the world."
• "HELP"
• "1. Be more involved in the inner-city. 2. Build relationships with those who are not followers of Christ. 3. Be committed to a church. 4. Know the surrounding culture better. 5. Engage the surrounding culture."
• "Train and expand a new generation to grow Christ's Kingdom."
• "Glorify Him in a greater way than those who have gone on before."
• "To hold to the truth of the scriptures, but to display that truth in love, love of God, and those we evangelize. We must make fundamentalism relevant to the culture."
• "Break free from dead religion and legalism and lead the church back to the living and present Christ."
• "Show love to all men."
• "Reach our generation, and those to follow for Christ, as more and more are being raised without knowledge of him, and then starting their own families, who are ignorant of God, and the cycle continues."
• "Re-Define the way of worship to have a more closer walk with God."
• "Glorify God and model genuine Christianity."
• "See more people won to the Lord and discipled."
• "I hope my generation can have a positive impact on the lost around us. I would like to see our generation win people to Christ without being legalistic and turn people away."
• "Be able to reach out and communicate the Gospel effectively to a Postmodern culture."
• "Live lives that lead others to Christ."
• "I hope our generation can get back to soul winning instead of Christian liberty bickering. We need to let the Holy Spirit lead us not unbiblical church traditions."
• "Reach more young kids with the hope that Christ gives and teach them about the joy that it is to serve Christ."
• "Stand up and make our voices heard. Young Christians don't spend enough time standing up for Jesus. First by being an example. Letting the older people in the church know that we will be responsible and diligent in getting the Word of God out to anyone and everyone that will listen...even jump up and down screaming it to the ones who WON'T listen."
• "Financial Support of the plans for continuing the Gospel of Christ through the next generation."
• "Show others that Christ eternally satisfies and that His Word is entirely true, relevant, and foundational to life."
• "Reach them."
• "Be educated about what the believe."
• "Expand the mission into the inner city/urban areas of America that have been neglected."
• "To preach the beautiful exclusivity of Jesus Christ and to make Him preeminent in all areas of preaching, teaching, and Christian life. Separation is a huge issue...however, we have focused on the negative side of separation rather than on the positive side of separation...we have limited ourselves to preaching against the evils of the world rather than preaching on the glories of Jesus Christ and"n."
• "Show authentic faith."
• "Be faithful in witnessing."
• "Reach the lost through loving them and demonstrating Christ's love so that people would see a difference in someone who is saved and want to have that same thing that makes us different."
• "I would like to see my generation reach the three million people in the world who don't know Christ."
• "Win souls/get government out of churches and schools."
• "Surpass their predecessors in effectively reaching the lost with innovative methods."
• "I would like to see us continue to stand firm for the Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible and yet be able to adapt, without compromise, to the ever changing society in which we have been sent to serve. I would like to see more unity between ministries and get over this ideal that we separate over every little insignificant thing."

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• "1. Be comprehensive and effective communicators of the Word. 2. Faithfully seek to evangelize the community by Faithful community penetration through individual and familial relations. 3. Develop stronger family and individual relationships within the church with less emphasis on programs but not to the exclusion of them."
• "be the light in a dark world"
• "Teach and train the next generation to truly know God, have a relationship with Him and serve Him in their lives. Seek to have deeper understanding of God and His truth ourselves which will result in our being a light to our world."
• "Set New England on fire with the Gospel or Christ."
• "Promote a realistic Christianity."
• "Grow for the coming of Christ. Prepare ourselves as His bride."
• "Hear and do the Word vs. hear only."
• "Spread the Gospel to every corner of the world. Spread a passion for Jesus Christ."
• "Establish sound doctrine and God-centered practice in the churches."
• "Clearify in order to simplify. The Bible is clear and so must we be clear"
• "Reach souls for Christ then disciple them to be godly servants of Christ."
• "Inform others lost and on their way to hell about His goodness, His forgiveness, His grace, His Mercy and His willingness to save the Lost."
• "Show people the love of Christ instead of making them feel as if they had to meet a certain set of standards in order to become good enough to be a christian."
• "Be relevant."
• "Disciple a new generation of believers better than the generation before us."
• "Focus on truth and make truth alone the basis for actions and interactions in life and ministry. Not be silent about issues that need to be addressed, even if they are uncomfortable (i.e. lust)."
• "Hold our ground in the midst of chaos and attack."
• "Continue to fight for what we believe, and to re-center the focus on God, and not on petty doctrinal differences and standards that really have no bearing"
• "Make God AND CHRIST REAL for future generations to come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ."
• "Promote home schooling and mothers being keepers at home not helping to subsidize the husbands salary so they can have a bigger house, three cars and a boat."
• "Revival in America"
• "Be real Christians. Follow Biblical examples, stand for what's right without compromise"
• "be aware of the culture and community around us and be effective in presenting an authentic expression of a personal relationship with God and an authentic expression of community within the Body of Christ - that is not encumbered with wineskin of traditionalism"
• "Become more effective witnesses to the people we encounter every day (friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc...)")
• "work to eliminate the divisiveness of the past generation of fundamentalists, especially in areas of secondary separation and issues of Christian liberty. this will advance the cause of Christ by focusing on the important theological issues, not propounding "pet" interpretations"
• "Re-focus our attention from peripheral issues to the main focus of knowing God- preaching Him to fellow believers, and using our existing relationships to evangelize. I hope we can breakdown our silly notion that the pastor is supposed to do most of the ministering in the church, and we as lay people get involved."
• "Revival -- reverse the downward trend/moral decline in society"
• "unite under the banner of the Holy dOrthodox Church"
• "Islamic outreach"
• "Turn those with soft, hybridized ""religions"" (many of whom are just plain lost) to commitment to authentic Bible-based Christianity."
• "I hope they can raise godly families (with male leadership) who as a whole will seek opportunities to minister to others (witnessing, discipling, modeling spirituality, etc.)"
• "Turn the tide back toward Scriptural principles in all of our lifestyle, and thus show the world what Christianity is all about."
"I would hope that our generation could bring the compassion of Christ to a hurting and confused world. Reaching them with the Gospel by building relationships with those who need Christ is critical. Showing them from God's world that a relationship, not a religion is the answer they need."

"communicate the truth of God's Word, maintaining a understanding, compassionate, yet holy reflection of God and His Word. Faithfulness. So many people give up when the race has just begun."

"I hope we can see people realize the need to be Christ-like in every area of their lives, so that ministry, witnessing, evangelism, etc. are not relegated to some Christians but are natural outflows of all believers relationship with the Lord."

"Reach the lost, including those in so called "'christian'" organizations such as catholics. Teach our children to live Godly lives so that they will be effective soul-winners/leaders."

"Bring it up from what it is now. One day when I am a youth pastor I want it to be "'cool'" to be a Christian."

"Continue to carry the banner of Fundamentalism high."

"Win souls. Be transparent about our own sin."

"Do a better job of reaching a lost WORLD with the Gospel!!"

"Be worshippers. Seek first the kingdom. Promote the growth and edification of the whole body of Christ, "'Fundamentalists'" and "'Evangelicals'" included."

"Focus the church on easing the pain of poverty, hunger, sickness, war, and largely ignore politics."

"Live as Christ lived and speak boldly to the issues Christ addressed."

"I hope we can live our lives so that Christ shines through us, so that others can see Him. I hope we do our best to live for Christ and serve him with our whole heart."

"Be loved by Him."

"listen to Him, be willing to change, pursue His Kingdom and be willing to be pursued by Him, drop prejudices and reach all kinds of peopel, finally realize that some fights are over and now it is time to focus on important matters."

"Revival...revive our hearts."

"Bring a renewed sense of excitement and show people in the world that true Godly love (not a "'lets love everyone'" approach), but Godly love that shows genuine concern for people. I'm tired of everyone being comfortable sitting in a pew."

"restore biblical Christianity to our movement and thus see many come to Christ and American Christianity strengthened."

"Uphold orthodox Christian doctrine and pass it to the next generation."

"Bring about a world-wide church planting movement."

"I hope we can refocus our attention on worshipping Christ by impacting our postmodern society in a biblically relevant way, not worrying about movements and their advancement, but instead concerned with accurately handling Truth and being confident in the Spirit's power to perform what God has planned for this age."

"Impact more for the gospel."

"Reach the lost and see people saved. Isn't that what every generation should be doing?"

"Clearly communicate the Gospel and set an example for Biblical discipleship."

"I hope my generation can continue in what I have learned growing up. I want my generation to not be afraid to spread the gospel to anyone they see."

"Change the stick in the mudc philosophy of my way is right, and truly stand and defend the entire Bible without forcing it to fit our needs."

"Take a stand and teach our children the true fundamentals of the faith not the outward trappings of Christianity."

"Preach/teach/live the gospel of transparent repentance and faith."

"We need to figure out a way to reach a generation that has been taught that there are no absolutes. That is difficult coming from a movement where there "'seems'" to be an absolute on everything from pants, versions, music, and movies all the way to salvation. I believe that there are moral and
biblical absolutes. But I hope that my generation can figure out how to be fundamental without being the"

- "I hope my generation can help turn the tide of apathy apparent in today's youth. I hope we can do a better job in placing the emphasis on a genuine relationship with the Lord rather than on conformity to ""accepted"" man-made standards so prevalent in the fundamentalism that I grew up in. I hope to raise my sons to be Biblically-minded in their own lives and in their views of the world they must g"

- "I hope we can stabilize the shaky ground upon which we are living, too many people are weak in their Scripture knowledge and are being tossed about with every Rick Warren or John MacArthur that comes along. We need some strong Fundamentalists in our day to hold the line--I aim to be one of them."

- "Change the focus of fundamentalism from externals to an intimate internal relationship with Christ."

- "declare the gospel, be faithful to God,"

- "Increase His kingdom, bring Him Glory."

- "Our generation needs to be shaken by the reality of the nearing coming of Jesus Christ. I pray that they will see Holy Ghost revival and will be compelled to lead others to Christ before it's too late. The Great Commission is for all Christians, for all times, young and old, weak and strong."

- "Point people toward Christ."

- "Live real christian lives before the lost"

- "bring hope to the world through a lifestyle of love that is worthy of the sacrifice Christ made for us."

- "make and mature disciples who are growing to become like Jesus Christ"

- "Help them see that we are real, and that God is real and that Jesus is the answer to the world's problems."

- "Raise up foundations for strengthening a weakened, compromising church. We can also continue the work of foreign evangelism and revitalize the witness in the Western world."

- "Promote a Christocentric focus that brings glorification to God through family, church, and community relationships (Evangelism and Edification for the glory of God)"

- "My hope is that we train godly people to live for Christ alone, to live a life exalting Him in every area of life. I hope we don't just preach tangents but exposit Scripture, not afraid to tackle the hard issues, but to have Bible reasons for what we do in life. My earnest desire is to see people live life with a consuming passion for knowing & pleasing God. I really trust that as a movement we wi"

- "Lead humbly"

- "Follow the scriptures and stop listen so much to man :) Become a Biblical scholar and not a Traditionalist scholar."

- "Restore the joy. Return to the real issues rather than being sidetracked. Prevail against hypocrisy. Find new ways to reach unbelievers in the modern world rather than continuing to use methods that no longer work."

- "I would hope that we would further Christ's mission of discipling the world."

- "reach the lost, hopefully with this ""revival crusade"" being better role models, planting seeds, instead of ignoring the issues."

- "Reach my generation for the cause of Christ, too many are rejecting because of the legalism we were forced under by our ""religious"" parents."

- "Show his Love to those around us."

- "Hope is a pretty big thing. I can hope for a lot of things, like I hope my generation can see the world turned upside down because of the gospel. That is what I hope for."

- "Raise their children better to love the Lord."

- "Within Fundamentalism, I hope that we can write good books and establish solid publishing houses that contribute solid literature. Within Christianity, I hope that we can renew the battle against heresy and rally conservative, orthodox Christianity to the banner of defending the doctrines of the faith."

- "To reach our generation by not catering to them, but by reaching alongside them, and pulling them out of the sin they are in."
"Educate. I think the biggest problem we have is that we alienate people with the stupidity of some people within our movement and the Christian name. People need to know what they are talking about."

"Show people that God knows what is best for them and point them to Christ."

"I hope that my generation can lead a focus back to studying and knowing our Bible. I hope that we will quit the focus on the little issues that we seem to want to separate over and focus on reaching our world with the gospel of Christ."

"Get over issues that are inconsequential, and worry about glorifying God and reaching the world with the gospel."

"Mass evangelistic programs"

"I hope we can further the cause of Christ around the world. I hope we fundamentalists can stay together enough to have an impact on our world."

"Revive an overarching commitment to the TEXT (rather than to traditions, preferences, methods, labels, etc.) as the basis for faith/doctrine (obviously) as well as for practice. Revise our current understanding of separation—both personal and ecclesiastical—in light of a renewed passion for honesty and humility with the TEXT."

"I hope that my generation will go out and preach. I love to read the old stories about revivals and evangelistic meetings. They were all based upon Biblical preaching (even the prayer meeting revival). I think we as Fundamentalists need to be careful about becoming too ""educated"" that we become ""dead and boring."

Yes we need a good education but now we need to do something with it rather then ju"

"Get many saved and well discipled."

"Build solid relationships with individuals and families with the goal of reaching them with the Gospel, seeing them saved and properly discipled, and then integrated into an active role in the ministry of the local church."

"I hope we can improve people's view of Christians and be excellent in all things."

"Hold the Line and not compromise what has been passed down to us. We must glorify Christ in our day! The ministry will be successful when we Lift Him Up!"

"Reach others and take a stand politically."

"Bring Christianity more into the positive public light. Fight for our religious freedom here in America. Encourage believers to have more of a voice in the public square. To often we are bemoaning the moral decline, and yet not doing anything about it."

"Return to personal evangelism rather than marketing to grow the church. Distinguish between major and minor teachings in the Bible and emphasize what the Bible emphasizes."

"Make the Gospel Clearer, since Evangelicalism has complicated it."

"Live clean, godly lives before God and man."

"Hold the Fort."

"Reach those in our generation who have never really heard the true gospel."

"Restore the Biblical importance of marriage."

"Revival."

"More fully disciple believers and educate them in the great doctrines of Scripture, evangelize the lost."

"Strengthen existing churches, strengthen our testimony before the world."

"Read and study their Bible, and practice it out of faith. Pray!"

"be real and genuine for Christ. To make Christ all not just a part of our lives. To be growing and excited about what God is doing. To know the scriptures well and to preach them."

"Lead people to Christ and greatly improve on individually discipling believers."

"Exhibit the fruits of the Spirit...strive to make America a nation of Christians, more so than a Christian nation...Publish books that focus on the Bible as the solution for all of man's problems...be the leader in education...find out soon that Christianity doesn't need to appeal to the world to be appealing...but I guess this last area would fix itself if the first area I mentioned became a real"

"Pray into existence a Revival Reach those our age for Christ"
• "Look objectively at mistakes made in the past and seek to change. Uphold what they know to be right and have been taught to be right."
• "Win the lost...it's an on-going process."
• "Glorify His name."
• "lead others to Him."
• "Revitalize fundamentalism -- morality without the current appearance of a lack of compassion or any real answers on tough social issues."
• "Win our communities without compromise but through relationships built in meeting needs"
• "Use Compassion to reach many people."
• "Continue to carry out the Great Commission."
• "Improve Discipleship, It has been lost for the say a prayer get saved and leave the church mentality"
• "See real wide-spread Revival as in the days of old"
• "Develop and live by a sense of proportion regarding Christian doctrine, ie, live for and emphasize what matters most (the cross, the glory of Christ, Christian love, etc.)"
• "I hope we can encourage EACH Christian to INDIVIDUALLY seek to be a Biblicist: living their life according to Biblical standards they have searched from Scripture. Practically LIVING God-impressed standards in the home, church and career life."
• "Revive america. Another spiritual awakening"
• "Glorify God"
• "Reach individuals throughout the world in ways unthought of in previous generations due to advances in travel, technology, communication, etc. With God's help we can develop churches that are more Christ-centered and disciple-making focused, churches that are dedicated to scriptural preaching."
• "Value the home as one of the most effective evangelism tools. Regain a guileless testimony for the world to see."
• "Move away from the rampant legalism and extra-biblical teachings that have been so prevalent in previous generations"
• "Re-claim the emphasis on the cross."
• "fulfill the great commission"
• "Make Christianity real - not some pseudo-Christianity."
• "Declare the glory of God through the living under the Lordship of Christ in all areas of life."
• "We are in such a sin cursed world. Just glorifying God with my own life and being a testimony to those around me. Bringing one to Christ would be an added blessing."
• "Comfort the hurting and show the love of Christ."
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• "Make Christianity more inviting to the unbelieving. Making unbelievers think, ""Man, I want what they have."
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• "Seriously raise the commitment of professing believers, focus our attention making disciples of unsaved and equipping believers for transformational ministry.""
• "Claiming a positive perception in our culture of biblical Christianity."
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• "I hope we can reach our generation for Christ. I hope we can learn how to love people, to challenge them to the next step in their spiritual lives. To be separate from the world, but still have active roles in bringing the world to Christ"
• "I hope my generation will accept people (befriend them) no matter how depraved they are( not to the extent that they are like them) and show that they love them and that God loves them."
• "REaching as many as we can for the end is near"
• "Reach the unsaved across the world through long-term and short-term missions emphasis."
• "Restore lukewarm Christians to be committed Christians"
• "I hope that the young people will have a grasp of the history that has developed our society today so that they will not make the same mistakes we did."
"Reach the world. Grow in Christ."

"Not lose the passion of Christ in ourselves, but perpetuate it to the next generation."

"Be light to show the world that the Word of God has the answers."

"Awaken our culture, friends, associations to the need for Revival, minister to those hurting because of the American lifestyle (homosexuality, divorce, abuse, immorality, materialism, drug addiction...) and lead to Christ."

"Be His ambassadors."

"I would be thrilled to see my generation truly proclaim an exegetically sound gospel and sanctification message for God's glory and genuine revival. As Fundamentalists, we have a correct (Biblical) position, but are lacking the dynamic life as evidenced in the early church. We desperately need to see serious-minded, sold-out believers contending for the faith, reaching the lost, and living holy li"

"I hope that we can be a missions minded generation and that we will be known for having a passion in our personal lives for God and for serving him by letting that passion for God spill over into every area of our life. I hope that we can defend the Bible and the fundamental doctrines. I hope that we can let Christ be known to the world for His glory"

"return to our first love"

"be more steadfast and separated"

"carry the fight forward into the next generation. I would not like us to lose the ground won by the generations before us. I think it would be a shame for us to get caught up in the "don't offend anyone" philosophies so prevalent today. I do hope as well that we can learn to be less offensive on issues that we shouldn't be offensive about!"

"Walk in the Spirit and not fulfill the lusts of the flesh"

"Reestablish church congregations who know why they believe what they believe and then live by their Bible-based convictions while passing them down to their children. I hope our people will see their Christian lives a relationship with the Creator of this world who died for them rather than living out their Christian life as obedience to a set of rules which they don't know why they believe."

"Be committed"

"Being faithful to see souls saved and discipled."

"Reach more people and educate them about life in general, about the good vs evil that is really out there"

"Focus more on personal holiness. I feel that the past generation(s) have focused more on- you can only fellowship with other believers who believe right down the line with what we believe. I may not agree with what other people believe but many of them have areas in their Christian life that are stronger than mine and are an encouragement to me. I will say that it seems like in the past 5 years fu"

"Give people a proper view of God"

"BE REAL about who we are as people (just like everyone else), and then be able to explain how God has given Christ to take that sin from us. Most Christians are content to whack someone over the head with a Bible or throw a tract at them and run out the door. I hope to see my generation forming relationships with those around them, and showing the love of Christ through relationship."

"reach people the older generation seems to shy away from (homosexuals, drug addicts, etc.)"

"Continue what those who have gone before us have been able to do"

"Spread the Gospel. Reach lives one at a time."

"Follow the lead of the apostle Andrew and focus on befriending co-workers and neighbors with the goal of reaching them with the gospel one by one."

"touch lives"

"preach and live the Word in such a way that believers know what it means to have an intimate relationship with the Christ who lives inside of them"

"Learn to balance a committed passion for truth with a genuine, active compassion for the people around us."

"make world-wide missions a reality and not just a term"
• "I hope that we can extend the cause of Christ and lead others to him."
• "I hope we can reach out to those who have not been reached out to yet ie gays, Muslims, educational elite. They are out there and just as needy as anyone else. Of course we need to keep doing what we are doing for everyone else as well."
• "focus on the lost world around us and quit keeping our eyes so focused on ourselves. Christians keep trying to outwork each other and it is killing the ministry model set up for us by Jesus in his time here on earth."
• "I hope that we will reach our generation with the truth of the gospel and not be pulled into either new evangelicalism or legalism. I hope we will reach the entire world with missionary efforts"
• "Have better Great Commission Living."
• "I believe that the one of the most important things that we can do for fundamentalism is the KJV debate. I believe that Bible version debate is one of the most detrimental things to fundamentalism. I feel that the older fundamentalists are unwilling to change because the KJV is all they know. It is the Bible that they have memorized and are unwilling to accept the fact that the version is dated a"
• "I would like to see this generation of young people strongly consider and plan to reach the Muslims and Arabs for Christ. We were not ready for Russia to open, we are slowly sending people to China, but reaching the arabic world is the challenge of the day. On these lines, fundamentalist colleges and churches should work together. There is no reason we cannot get together as colleges, universit"
"Spread it around the world"

"Help future generations grow in the Lord, knowing, serving and loving the Lord with their whole heart, mind and life. All current generations of Christians are struggling in these areas. If we do not help the next few lay a strong foundation, then there is little hope for Biblical Christianity in the lives of our grandchildren and great-grandchildren."

"Renewal of life in our churches without a departure from the doxological purpose of man"

"Stop arguing and do the work that God has called us all to - to serve our God!"

"HAVE a global impact with regards to salvation b/c of the availability of short term missions"

"Know God and make him known"

"Reach out. Speak up. Be bold. Realize there is not just one mold with which God can use you."

"Share the joy and relevance living for Him. Promoting the glory of Christ and the public knowledge of a proper view of Christ."

"The next generation needs to be trained to articulate their biblical beliefs and engage their co-workers and neighbors in discussions."

"Get the cause of Christ focused back on Christ and not rules. Reaching the lost has faded into the background of "fundamentalism."

"Encourage one another to raise more laborers with passion for the Lord and the Lost"

"Whew! Big question. I hope that my generation can harness the many tools we have at our fingertips to see people the world over come to know Christ. I believe that will only happen as we take individual responsibility to reach out to the lost in our personal spheres of influence and edify believers with whom we have contact, at the same time that we pray for and support those ministering elsewhere"

"See many be called to full time ministry"

"Be lights impacting the world for Christ. (Not lumps impressing each other.)"

"World evangelism is a realistic goal, if, and only if, every born-again believer strives to follow the Lord's command to preach the gospel to every creature. My prayer is that the Christians of my generation will wake up and see that materialism and complacency are defeating us spiritually, and unless we get actively involved, millions will die without Christ who have never heard the gospel."

"Labor to help the universal church grow. Not be stuck in a mold of traditional missions. Many nations are becoming receptive to the gospel message. My generation must insure that sound doctrine is proclaimed worldwide."

"Take the Gospel to areas of the world where it has not gone before."

"Better equip believers for friendship evangelism and doctrinal understanding."

"Use the resources in our grasp ie media, to better witness around the world"

"Gain the reality of the changing work of Jesus Christ through salvation and discipleship. Not only percieving this reality but also passing it along to those who follow."

"spread it"

"Draw people closer to God."

"It would be wonderful if we could get the Gospel around the world as the apostles did."

"It seems like the common layperson now adays is neutral and passive about their Christianity. I hope that the younger generation coming up will have a fire for the Lord that is not seen as much now in the congregations."

"start revile in our harts that will spread to the world"

"know God more fully and teach others to do the same. fulfill the great commission: reach the whole world."

"I hope that my generation will grow in its understanding of Biblical discipleship and an awareness of world missions. I hope that we will teach the next generation (the children of America) what it means to know Jesus Christ and to tell others about Him ALL OVER THE WORLD!!"

"Put the heart back into the standards of fundamentalism."

"I hope that my generation can learn to think Biblically (myself included). In learning to think Biblically we will see the mind of God and be interested in what He is interested. We will major
on what He majors on. We will apply wisdom principles to guide our lives. We will preach the gospel OUTSIDE the walls of a "church building." Ultimately we will glorify Him.

- "see more people saved"
- "I hope our generation is a group of men who are willing to take a stand and fight for the fundamentals for the faith, show by their lives a genuine love for Christ and others, make sure they place their family above their ministry, give thanks for the men who have gone before us and seek to improve on areas where they may have struggled."
- "Win souls. Help the church’s theological understanding."
- "Help the church have a stronger evangelistic outreach, and have more missionaries both to the foreign fields and to the United States!"
- "Love the Lord our God with all our hearts, our neighbors as ourselves, and pass this on to our children."
- "reach our peers who face more abundant, perverse sins than the generation before and bring another great awakening throughout the world that will bring others to salvation"
- "Seek Him first...Love Him completely...allow Him to carry them to His throne room...reach out in love to EVERYONE."
- "Reach out to the world and give the Gospel wherever they may go and have a good walk with the Lord."
- "Genuinely reach unsaved people for Christ and assist believers in developing a vibrant, growing, real, humble relationship with God. Be salt as well as light to the unsaved world - being concerned about the people around us. Love God - Love others."
- "I would love our generation to learn to love unbelievers unconditionally and transparently. I hope our generation can spread church planting and missions around the world like no other."
- "I hope that this generation can see beyond their personal preferences and look to the advancement of Christ rather than the forcing of their own ideas or traditions"
- "Re-enter the fray for the battle of the hearts and minds of our generation, to preach the gospel with compassion, relevance, clarity, and simplicity to disillusioned, frustrated, and critical hearers who are disgruntled at the former hypocrisy of previous and current generations who call themselves fundamentalists."
- "Quit arguing over small issues and get to work to See a true revival spread throughout the world."
- "To be bold and courageous in taking a stand for what the Bible teaches....."
- "To overcome theological and ministerial distractions that Satan has placed within our movement. They must be dealt with but they ought never to overplace the preeminence of living out Christlikeness, and preaching Christ in our ministries."
- "Keep reaching people with the message of the gospel."
- "Reach and teach the next generation."
- "Really lead people to more than just a salvation decision, but see them disciplined and becoming strong believers. Building strong churches with sound doctrine without compromise."
- "Evangelize and Disciple"
- "Reach out to unsaved instead of fighting between themselves over non-theological issues such as versions, dress, music . . . ."
- "Get fundamentalism off of its unbiblical tangents while focusing on authentic spirit filled living. This will result in stronger evangelism, discipleship and churches"
- "Help our local churches grow to be the strong community that they should be, and display a Christ-like attitude in that community for the world to see."
- "Teach people how to evangelize Biblically and then do it."
- "I desire to see my generation follow the great commission in its entirety. The includes the discipling and teaching aspect."
- "Concentrate more on evangelism and winning souls for Christ, and get less caught up in issues."
- "reach more lost and DISCIPLE them so they grow in the lord"
- "Lead others to Christ, clearly exemplify a true walk with Christ based on a relationship with God, not personal, flexible standards"
"I would love to see a generation that is so in love with Christ that we can't help but talk about it and the world can't help but notice us. I would love to see us turn our world upside down like the disciples did."

"I hope that we can rebuild the crumbling foundations of our families and our churches that compromises with the world have weakened. I hope that we can continue to spread the gospel to every corner of the earth. I hope that we can prove the doubters wrong and rise up to become strong Christian men and women striving for the faith."

"redefine our movement as one which aims to reach the whole person, body and soul"

"Accomplish much for Christ through Christ. Preach the gospel To have the desire to introduce others to Christ, not by force or man's opinion"

"Actually show the world the love and holiness of God and what that means for them. I would love for them to be on fire personally for Christ and to actively participate in His work."

"Return to Biblical Christianity!"

"that they would live a life that is real and not a hypocritical Christian Life. That they would be would live a real faith around the lost. Their testimony speaks wonders, since many people today are getting saved more by watching your testimony."

"stand strong on their belief"

"Get back to the real fundamentals of the faith -- what's truly essential (the creed), and not raise your own standards on the "'gray'' matters of liberty to a extra-Biblical level of authority!"

"Reach the lost in the foreign lands who have never heard the truth of the Gospel"

"Maintain the battle against worldliness"

"Take believers into a deeper more focused relationship with Christ that will affect every area of life, including evangelism, discipleship, sanctification, worship, and fellowship."

"I hope that we can reclaim the term "'Christian'' to mean one who holds CONSISTENTLY the fundamental truths of Christianity."

"show love and compassion for the lost"

"- expand God's kingdom through evangelism - positively impact culture"

"Be prepared to give answers to the world for the hope that lies within us and be bolder in doing so!"

"Spread the Gospel Disciple Believers"

"Bring in teenagers."

"I hope we see holiness in our lives, and revival on a broad scale (by the grace of God)"

"Come back to the principles and doctrine on which Christ founded His church, which I believe are being lost today."

"Teach our young people how to evangelize using tools of good hermeneutics and strong apologetics. We must reclaim the lost preeminence of cognition in the Evangelical mind."

"Remind the church body of its responsibility toward those who have material needs and help to develop a biblical position on the use of the arts in worship."

"Plant more churches, cause existing bible believing churches to see the profit in association with one another (as well as pastors)"

"Spread the gospel more effectively"

"Plant churches throughout the west"

"Show everyone around us (saved/unsaved) the joy and delight of a life lived pursuing the glory of God in every aspect of life. Not a life of standards, but a joyous pursuit of the person of Christ, leading others to Him."

"Show both believers and non-believers that Christians can live vibrant, exciting lives and be a part of the modern culture and influence our society without compromising core Christian beliefs."

"Help turn it to God-centeredness"

"I pray that our generation can lead others to Christ, disciple them, and teach them to reach others."

"have an impact on the younger, win souls to Christ"

"Share the Gospel and disciple believers for the glory of God. Pass on to our children a genuine love for God and knowledge of Him, as well as a hatred for the world and sin. Avoid both assimilation with the world and isolation from the world - find the right balance of impact. Focus
on the real issues (worshiping the Father in spirit and in truth, handling God's Word carefully, having a strong tes"

- "Glorify Him and reach as many people as possible for Him."
- "Develop a passion for knowing God."
- "Help people realize it's the heart that matters, not the external compliance to sets of rules. Bring people to the Bible for their answers, and not sets of man-made rules."
- "Get people to focus on their personal relationship with God and live that relationship in a way that others can see."
- "more evangelism and visibility in the community. Less emphasis on standards and more on doctrine and theology."
- "Focus on the pure gospel that will change people."
- "Turn the world upside down by showing Christ's love and sharing the gospel."
- "Do the right things for the right reasons. Unfortunately, neither side has it right...
Fundamentalists do the right things, Evangelicals have the right reasons. We need to have both right reasons and right actions. To fail on either account is sin."
- "Reach the remaining unreached people groups grow more theologically sound and committed churches translate Scripture into 1/2 to 3/4 of the remaining languages who have none"
- "Make disciples. See a great revival for America"
- "Stop being afraid to speak up for Christ."
- "I hope my generation can get our eyes off of ourselves enough to focus on Him and in doing so, help others to arrive at that same position."
- "Improve and build on the great achievements of our Godly forerunners"
- "Teach those around us about the true God. So many my age are involved in all this world offers...it's sad."
- "Have a greater impact on the world for Christ while holding firm to the fundamentals of the faith - not the peripherals that we fight over so much today."
- "I hope we would be a great example of Christlikeness to a lost world by living out holiness in every area of our lives and by confronting others with the truth of the Gospel that they might be saved."
- "I hope we can stand for Christ in an intelligent, logical, respectable manner."
- "I would hope that we can demonstrate to the world the freedom that is found in Christ as we live out the principles found in the Word of God."
- "Bring back His authority along with Scriptural commands: what good does it do for people to know what's right or wrong if there is no authority backing it up? How will that change lives?"
- "I pray passionately that my generation of Christians will become grounded and settled in the faith b/c many are ignorant of what they believe and why they believe it. I also pray that we will abolish the love them and leave them philosophy of evangelism and fulfill the Great Commission by "'going and making disciples." We are called to make disciples, not converts as part of a rally to win a certai"
- "Destroy the Fundamentalistic trend of "'affected Christian outward behavior"' while still maintaining separation, holiness and godliness. The world doesn't want a part of the charade/antics that we use to impress each other. We (Fundamentalists)are a dying society. I hope that my generation has the courage to take off the mask, live as a public display of grace and redemption, and impact others to"
- "I think that many people have become more focused on themselves rather than the people around them. If my generation could become focused on God and others, then I think we could see many more people saved and striving to live a biblical life."
- "Pray for God-centered and Holy Spirit-powered revival."
- "Get back to the Bible and a basic defense of the faith (creationism, etc.)."
- "1. to be known for our love for each other, rather than our infighting (within Christianity). 2. to be known for our love/compassion for the Lost (meeting both spiritual and physical needs)."
- "strip away professional ministry hierarchy and become servant leaders wherever they are and in whatever work they are doing, demonstrating Christ as a result."
• "I hope that my generation can return to truth built upon a solid biblical basis rather than a postmodern belief in relative truth. Also, I would like to see my generation base their beliefs on facts, not personalities, organizations, colleges, positions on the KJV, etc. We are too divided in fundamentalism because of a man-centered focus on many issues rather than a God-centered focus. I am not"
• "I hope my generation can continue to advance the cause of Christ by continuing to hold Scripture high and living with at attitude that shows the love of Christ. God's work will continue not based on what we do, but on His power in our lives."
• "Place greater emphasis on the brevity of this life, and the urgency of sending the Gospel to all peoples through greater giving and personal involvement"
• "Reclaim the power that we have in Christ that was manifested in the preaching of Jonathn Edwards, George Whitefield, etc!"
• "Raise our children to stand strong in the faith."
• "Become more adept in reaching out to our generation with genuine, loving Gospel. Become more "'real'" in our living and sharing of Christ's message."
• "Propagate a high view of God"
• "Live Christ each day in a real way"
• "Impress upon their families the need to be continually exposed to the preaching of the Word of God and leading the spending time with Him in their own Bible reading as well as prayer"
Appendix F
Question 72

What is the greatest fear or concern you have for your generation?

- "technology"
- "I fear that we will become arrogant in our pursuit of knowing God to the point that we make it an academic exercise, cease to rely on Him alone for strength, and find our own set of errors in which to wallow as we react to the errors of generations before us."
- "Apathy"
- "apathetic towards EVERYTHING that has to do with Christ"
- "The infatuation with intellect and the willingness to compromise Biblical standards to reach the world."
- "Backing away from the Word of God."
- "materialism"
- "We will continue in our ""doing"" for God (like He needs it), and never truly love Him."
- "Giving in to post-modern philosophy."
- "They have lost basic standards that were instilled in the generation of our parents. Common curtisies."
- "Salvation"
- "Not being educated on simple facts and the apathy to everything, spiritual, moral, etc."
- "apathy"
- "We will become frustrated with the legalistic attitudes festering in many of our churches and succumb to the anger bred by such a spirit. Many of my peers have already dropped out of solid churches and have focussed on careers and living the way they want to!"
- "1. They abandon historical fundamentalism, or 2. They toe the contemporary fundamentalist line and live a life motivated by fear without exalting the truth of God's Word above what they have been spoon-fed. Justifying behavioristic teaching without a biblical basis."
- "Loosing its discernment of right and wrong. Everything is about how you feel and what you feel is right. Biblical standards are slowly dropping."
- "Distraction from the Gospel. Whether it's Fundamentalists or Evangelicals, our greatest problem is no longer Modernism and Liberalism but distraction through a focus on ""issues.""
- "Over-reacting to over-separated fundamentalists."
- "That fundamentalist infighting within churches and among different schools of thought will lead to the demise of fundamentalism as a movement and the lack of usability among individual Christians."
- "lack of a personal well researched biblical theology that results in poor ministry."
- "Passifism"
- "I am most afraid of our over-reacting to authoritative leaders in fundamentalism, yes, maybe they are wrong sometimes, but that does not mean they are entirely wrong in everything"
- "That post-modern thought will creep into my generation of fundamentalists. I already see the seeds of it in my own thinking, and I am sure that my experience is not unique. If we contend for the absolute and final authority of God's Word, we will be able to combat post-modern thought."
- "That we will become distracted by all the appealing things in the world -- entertainment, media, materialism, etc."
- "Losing any thought to morality"
- "There unappreciation for the history of our movement and their quickness to criticize"
- "Reacting against the modernism of our parents, who we think acted as if they had every area of faith and practice figured out perfectly, and instead going into the opposite extreme of postmodernism. Rejecting the counsel of our elders. Proverbs has plenty to say about that. Getting caught up in true worldliness. Worldliness isn't about one's hairstyle and his CD collection. You can be world"
- "That they will become too enraptured with the world. That they will use the world's methods to accomplish, essentially, the world's ends."
• "I have different fears for different friends. For some I fear pluralism (my looser, free thinking friends). For others I fear a focus on externals to the neglect of what matters most (my conservative, closed-minded friends)."
• "I fear my generation of fundamentalists will turn from serving God and loving His truth because of bad experiences at fundamental churches. We are continually tempted to reject the message of truth when our messengers are not balanced."
• "Compromise and apathy towards those who are not biblicists."
• "being Christians to please other people or to please God, and then growing up and leaving the church."
• "sliding standards"
• "Apostacy"
• "That we fall away from Fundamentalism completely because it seems so legalistic to most young Fundamentalists."
• "That we have and apathetic attitude toward Christianity. That we have "done our part" by accepting christ and the rest will just fall in place."
• "Moral slackness - we don't have a healthy fear of TV and movies"
• "lack of focus on God's glory... to much focus on self appeasement in any aspect of life"
• "That sin will destroy us. I suppose media and entertainment and resultant temptations to immorality come to mind first."
• "That Fundamental young people will become enamoured with flashy Evangelicalism and set aside the vital doctrines of our faith."
• "TThat Christians are loosing the desire to witness and to live holy lives, be different from unbelievers."
• "They've been taught to focus on the outside, not the heart."
• "I fear that in reaction to poor preaching and poorly articulated defenses of good positions, young fundamentalists who love God will move to the broader evangelical movement to the weakening of biblical Christianity. I fear that many youth, also as a result of poor preaching and poorly articulated defenses of good positions, will become increasingly more worldly in lifestyle to the detriment of"
• "that we will not understand or live the warfare mentality of Christianity"
• "They do not know the real Jesus of the NT."
• "I hope that our generation is not unteachable. That is, many young men desire accountability and mentorship from the older generation. However, at times, we also seem the most likely to resist it. I also pray that we do not neglect meaningful traditions for the sake of innovation. We must critically evaluate both old and new ideas as we strive to equip the saint (Eph 4)."
• "They don't read the Bible."
• "That many fundamentalists will drop into new-evangelicalism."
• "Leaving the faith over hypocrisy or inconsistency issues"
• "I fear we'll become over-reactionary against what we grew up with."
• "That they have bought into the New Evangelical desire for "relevance" and that they have a watered down gospel."
• "Young fundamentalists will move to the evangelical camp because they're dissatisfied with the majority of fundamentalism as a whole. There a number of fundamental churches who are working toward the balance many young men long for."
• "That we will not make our voices heard in the fight for right and truth."
• "My greatest fear/concern for my generation is that our members would abandon the faith because of secondary frustrations, frustrations that result from men-based ministries."
• "That they lose sight of the biblical mission to reach the lost and see them brought to maturity in the local church. I fear that many will compromise this mission in a seeming effort to accomplish it."
• "I am concerned that they are falling away from God and that the opportunity of another Great Awakening is dying with them."
• "not caring"
• "that the moral issues are being lost"
• "Moral bankruptcy"
• "The lack of concern for spiritual matters and adherence to Biblically moral issues in the United States. Also the lack concern of where one will spend eternity."
• "apathy & getting sucked into the laid back philosophy of the world that everyone can have their own opinion, there is no absolute truth"
• "indeffrance"
• "That we continue in the status quo."
• "that we will be the last one"
• "That we forget or ignore what thousands have fought and died for in generations past, and thereby lose it."
• ""Superficial"/shallow Christianity caused by a love for the world and the lack of persecution for our faith."
• "That we will be too proud to stand on the shoulders of our fundamentalist fathers. That we will react instead of respond to ""traditional teachings.""
• "To keep us geared toward real life. Our theology must have an end, namely living it out for Christ's glory."
• "We need to be biblical, not just loud. Support your positions with studied answers that jump right out of the pages of the Bible when you share them. Dr. Minnick preaches this way, and when you hear him explain, you look at the text and sure enough it is right there and its been there. Dr. Doran is exactly the same way. Both clearly exhort from Scripture, yet are very humble in their presentation"n
• "Too much pride and self-worth"
• "In the USA - being complacent and comfortable in the world."
• "tolerance of error"
• "That we will not learn about God Himself, but that we will be so focused on the outward ""holiness"" and miss something much more important."
• "Laziness and complacency"
• "We can glean reasons for their beliefs and understand why separation is good in principle, not just from the world, but also from other christians who we might disagree with."
• "The ignorance and bitterness of my peers."
• "The loss of purity because of the sensuality of the culture"
• "Abandoning Fundamentalism early because of a reaction to their own misconceptions about the movement. The enamoration with New Evangelicals (e.g.Piper et. al.) is disconcerting considering their approach to certain Biblical issues (i.e. separation). These coupled with the seemingly vindictive speech with regard to Fundamentalism is going to come to a head at some point and may jeopardize the effec"
• "Apathy. Christians raised in Fundamental homes and churches are becoming dissalusioned and disgusted with the direction of Fundamentalism. As a result, they are being turned off and leaving Bible-preaching churches, and experimenting elsewhere. We are looking for something different. We are looking for relationships, not laws and rules. We are looking for compassion. We are looking for authentic C"
• "That they would give in to worldly desires."
• "I fear that we have great knowledge and ideas concerning biblical truth but are growing too consumed by the goods and lies of this world to act upon the truth."
• "Losing site of the ""big picture."" having no perspective on our place in the scheme of history and repeating the same old mistakes our fathers and grandfathers made."
• "That Christians will become so enamered with materialism and the ""American Dream"" that they lose focus on the dying world around them. Our generation is so consumed with lust and materialism, we are very much like Sodom. My generation must also learn the importance of freedom, both political and spiritual. People don't understand the need for quenching evil in other countries so that our country"
• "Lack of discernment in understanding that Fundamentalism is orthodoxy."
• "that we forget where we came from, or lose interest in really following God, and doing his will"
• "I don't have any fears in particular for my generation, but I fear for all who would go through life and into eternity without knowing Christ's grace, mercy, and love."
• "Not be so critical but still be a help."
• "That we are giving up the faith and rejecting what (if anything) we have been taught."
• "My greatest concern for my generation of fundamentalists is that they will see the inconsistencies of the fundamentalism that they were brought up in and be "'turned off'" to Christianity altogether."
• "Being affected by our sensate culture. Lack of continuing motivation--easily discouraged."
• "That we will be like the generation underneath us, a bunch of spoiled, middle-class, video-gaming absorbed miscreants that care nothing for the world or the lost and that we will live quiet and complacent lives that are inundated with our personal peace and affluence instead of being good soldiers of Christ and continuing in the spiritual warfare that we are engaged in."
• "divorce  backsliding"
• "Homosexuality being forced upon us."
• "Homosexuality being forced upon us."
• "that my generation will not hold beliefs for themselves but either choose not to believe or blankly accept the teachings of whomever teaches them"
• "forget God"
• "I have so many concerns for the believers in my generation but probably the most obvious one is shallowness of believers in America today. Very few who call themselves Christians feel the need to develop a real and personal relationship with Christ."
• "That they have no absolutes and that, in matters of faith they are neutral"
• "That we are missing the point of Christianity-Christ. We are teaching people to be fakes and not care about living for Christ. It's all about rules."
• "A lack of solid conviction in the Bible's doctrines."
• "Becoming wise fools"
• "Over-reacting to the legalism of the generation before us. I am afraid that we will try to exercise our liberty in Christ to the point of our own detriment."
• "My greatest fear is that we will not continue to stir up the embers of our love for Christ and His Word, that we will be so busy expressing our positions that we will forget to minister and be ministered to."
• "I fear that we are going to get to caught up in materialism and ourselves. We will forget what it is like to struggle for anything, and we will get a condescending attitude toward others who are struggling financially, socially, etc."
• "Misunderstanding of Biblical Christianity, moral weakness"
• "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power inside. In other words, saying and doing all the right things without a true, rich relationship with Jesus Christ."
• "By being an example and living what they taught...."
• "Several of the so-called Christians are becoming way too liberal. They say they are Christians yet they are drinking and swearing and having premarital sex. My biggest fear is that my generation will turn off all future generations to God."
• "Complete Biblical illiteracy and a lifestyle that will harm themselves and the nation"
• "Get caught up in the entertainment spirit of the church instead of true worship that exalts only God, not man."
• "we are losing that passion for christ"
• "They don't really care about Fundamentalism. They don't understand what it means to die to self and surrender all to Christ."
• "They will become even more hardened toward the Gospel and Christians will be easily swayed from their beliefs and do nothing for the cause of Christ."
• "That we will not change our ways but will continue in the path that those in the last few generations have started to get off course with."
• "That we become too open minded."
• "They will waste their life"
"Lukewarmness, a lack of faith. Lots of atheistic humanist lies coming out of everywhere, even among Christians are believing them. Historical/critical approach. Even Christians are teaching the lies, which destroys faith, gets people confused."

"I am afraid that in the criticisms of the older generations of fundamentalists, we will become myopic and bitter, focusing our preaching strongly on liberty, sovereignty and grace to the total neglect of human responsibility and holiness. Over all, I fear we are in great danger of becoming what we disliked about the previous generation -- out of touch, myopic, vitriolic and distracted from church"

"That we don't care or give the time to care"

"Support"

"That we will lose sight of the highest good -- the glory of God -- by getting distracted by all the stuff we have to fight against"

"The we will become afraid to tell who Christ is."

"They do not think for themselves and they simply believe everything they were taught"

"Apathy and carnality of Christians in the pew as well as evangelical ministries --- the carnal Christian culture."

"Instantaneous results are wanted, not much willingness to work. Also, there is somewhat of an apathy and lack of desire to be sold out for God. There is also a tendency to be academic about everything."

"Getting caught up in condemning and arguing"

"they are so involved with what this world has to offer them that they forget this is not our home, we are not of this world. they are more concerned with satisfying their flesh and pleasing themselves than they are of pleasing Christ."

"The pastors who are getting disqualified and the many churches that are closing their doors."

"Outside the church, my generation is unregenerate and focused on self. Inside the fundamentalist movement, I think my generation has been burned by the church's imposed rules and most question why they adhere to certain standards. It also seems that most are quite out of touch with the lost world."

"theological "dumbing down"

"The comfortable American life"

"that we are hypocrites and only talking the talk - not walking the walk"

"That we get so consumed with the materialistic mindset of today's society. I'm also concerned that we don't get comfortable in our lifestyle to the point where we don't know what true sacrifice is really all about."

"That we will be so caught up in divisive cultural issues amongst ourselves and which Bible translation to use that we will lose sight of our purpose in being on this earth"

"Mediocrity, lack of commitment, distracted from authentic faith by a watered-down emotionalism."

"Shallowness"

"That there are too many young people walking out on God and that there will not be many fundamentalist to carry on."

"That the left-wing will succeed in pushing for gay marriage and other things that go against Biblical morals."

"Loose the passion for evangelism and separation by becoming devided over non-Biblical issues (KJV etc)"

"That we would become bitter reactionaries to the fundamentalist movement and in the process hurt the testimony of Christ and the progress of the gospel. Our focus can not be fundemetalism, it must be the glory of God in Christ."

"That we'll throw the baby out with the bathwater when trying to define our own worship atmospheres and philosophies."

"Idolatry"

"A carelessness in discernment."

"Lack of passion for God's Word, Christ and Prayer"
• "That we will forget our roots and either trend toward insipid liberalism or will not adjust Fundamentalism to a better position."
• "It will keep declining ""morally"""
• "That we will overreact to error in our churches and fall into error ourselves, that we will ""throw in the towel"" and give up on fundamentalism, that we will become discouraged and simply accept wrong teaching in our movement"
• "We will throw the baby out with the bath water abandoning some doctrines the Scriptures teach because of a pendulum swing. In essence become what we most."
• "That we would stray too far from the Bible in order to reach the lost by being like them."
• "My greatest fear is that Christians do not stand up for the cause of Christ because they are too worried about rocking the boat."
• "lack of concern for souls"
• "Slipping away from Gospel-centeredness and moving toward standards/moral based Christianity"
• "that we will be loathed/misunderstood/misrepresented by the previous generation."
• "Salvation of the lost, personal revival"
• "I. No fear of God. 2. Sexual promiscuity."
• "We live in a ""generation of no hope."""
• "They have nothing to hold on to. You let go of the Bible and you're lost in the dark."
• "That we will reject stands and beliefs that our founding (fundamental/Baptist) fathers fought and died for."
• "That as the door of ministry is slammed in our face by the older generation, we do not become bitter. But rather we stay faithful to that which we know is right, and by God's grace we will minister faithfully in leadership when given the chance."
• "Apathy/Materialism"
• "That we will become so ""politically correct"" that we give up standing for what is right."
• "That pragmatism and relativism will invade our churches and our ministries to the point that we have no distinct message left. I fear that all who will be left with the title fundamentalist will be those who quibble over non essentials."
• "I am guessing this question is aimed at my religious generation. Reacting. Who ever reacts to a balance?"
• "Worldliness and compromise of the Gospel."
• "Getting so involved in the world that we lose our impact."
• "There's a lot of stuff being offered out there. We are getting sucked into the ""bigger and better"" mentality and that will bring us further from Christlikeness."
• "we will be bitter by fundamentalist agenda's and ungodly comparisons, and move away from Christ Himself, or not see that He is holy and sufficient to do the work."
• "The loss of traditional values upheld by our parents."
• "Failure to be God-centered and Word-centered"
• "lack of sincerity, no genuineness, apathy, lazy, cheating"
• "That they will forget God."
• "too worldly in attitudes"
• "That they will compromise the Gospel to New Evangelicals or fail to commit to it in practice."
• "that people will not live by what they know to be true and right"
• "Lack of Christian commitment."
• "Teenage pregnancy going up, abortion going up, churches going where they shouldn't be going in leadership. Media making something out of nothing. Government having the wrong leaders. American not listening to God and not heeding His warnings."
• "The affect of the entertainment industry"
• "Moral weakness"
• "complacency"
• "The pervasion and acceptance of immorality is becoming more rampant. I don't want my children to grow up in a country that displays pornography in public. Right now, the images displayed are bad enough, but I feel it is growing worse daily."
• "Unreal Faith."
• "Slide in standards until you can't tell the Christians from the world."
• "that we become comfortable, apathetic and useless for God."
• "They will stray away from what our founding Fathers stood for as far as church issues."
• "That we will be preached into rebellion. I believe that Almost all preaching is of God, however, some preaching could cause people to turn from what they should do."
• "My generation has a great apathy and lack of respect for the things of God. (i.e. the church, the preaching of God's Word, soulwinning)"
• "Equipping our children to be a light amid the negative peer influence generated by children of divorce, public schools, media, etc."
• "Apathy"
• "salvation"
• "that we would follow pointless traditions that are worthless and some that are even damaging (KJV)"
• "Worldliness and culture addiction. They quote movies all the time and shape their personalities around what they see in the culture. Talk of separation leads to blank stares. Discernment is on life support."
• "Apathy"
• "I fear that we will give up on fundamentalism just because of it's weak spots, or that we will re-write fundamentalism and cause more problems for the next generation."
• "apathy, laziness, self"
• "That we will ruin our lives in the cares and sins of this world. That we will follow the American dream and not the great commission."
• "No faithfulness"
• "Being foolish and unguided (not knowing the truth) in our zeal for Biblical change in our churches"
• "That we will not accomplish anything for Christ"
• "Apathy"
• "fall away from the Lord"
• "laziness and a lack of discipline"
• "Complacency with ministry and influence of the world"
• "That we would become even more apathetic than we already are about spiritual things."
• "Being led astray by worldly philosophies, drawing the line too close to the world."
• "Our values have been dictated by ourselves and the world instead of by the Bible."
• "The "out side" pressures"
• "That we will throw ou the good with the bad. ie - that we will chuck the doctrine and principles that past generations have built in us because of their stance of "'issues.""
• "The landsiding towards total depravity in society. Utter disregard for the things of God and his laws."
• "We will continue to be apathetic and not care what we or others believe."
• "Not caring and not learning from the past."
• "NOT PASSING THE BIBLICAL FAITH TO THE NEXT GENERATION"
• "A disloyalty to the core of fundamentalism. I am not nearly as concerned with loyalty to fundamentalism as a movement (which is so broad that it contains much with which I disagree). I am troubled that many of my contemporaries have identified the core of fundamentalism and the movement, and abandon both because of disagreement with the latter."
• "n/a"
• "we see alot of hypocrisy now a days. it is going to turn off my generation to true Christianity."
• "lack of knowledge and preparedness"
• "To walk away from the truth."
• "loss of the fear of the Lord"
• "Heart-change"
• "We will be bogged down by materialism and other trivialities."
• "That we are growing apathetic to the things of God, His Word, etc. I am also concerned that where perhaps some leaders of the previous generation went too far to the right, I am concerned that this generation is responding by going too far to the left."

• "They will get too caught up in feelings - music, entertainment, finances - because those things make them feel good."

• "That in an effort to change some aspects of our music we will change too much"

• "This idea that God looks past our inability to be holy as he is holy"

• "The world being so active and connected that we can't really connect with anyone."

• "WE have gone from apathetic, to I really just don't care about anything or anyone but me."

• "Immorality"

• "That we think we have all the answers. We don't."

• "That we have no backbone, and don't know what we believe or why."

• "we would be apathetic"

• "I think that music could slowly start to slide. I think it would not be hard for music to start sliding downhill a little at a time. If it does it could get very bad."

• "That we will continue in the legalism found in our past, and so marginalize ourselves we will lose all hope of having any impact on the world around us."

• "That my generation will be known for rejecting God"

• "they will become more like the world"

• "We, as Fundamentalist, stay caught up on trivial issues which will continue to marginalize our movement. We must remain Biblically strong, yet we must be agreeable and relevant."

• "We do not have the right view of God-so we don't get involved. Who will take the place of those who've gone on before us?"

• "I think our generation has great passion. However, my one biggest concern is that our generation lacks some self-control"

• "Moral lax. No sense of conscience self deception"

• "Losing sight of God."

• "The standards are declining rapidly, (music, clothing...)

• "Total rebellion in any given area of our life."

• "that we become the week link in a heratage of strong leaders"

• "That they are too comfortable to live a godly life, and therefore, that they will seek what they like rather than what God wants (whether it be in entertainment, music, evangelism, etc.), and that they will miss the greatest blessings that God has planned for them."

• "That we will continue the decline of the nation through apathy and indecision."

• "That they are looking at churches and seeing a modern form of pharisees and hypocrites"

• "COMPROMISE! Seperation is the biggest issue in many young people's lives. This world is too much of today's Christians lives. Living according to the Bible is key to growth and glorifying God. As God has clearly said,""Be ye holy, for am holy."

• "I fear that my generation will allow sin to creep into the churches and will not be strong in an attempt to be politically correct and not offend anybody. God forbid."

• "rejecting fundamentalism because they only see it as the way Christians are expected to be instead of conviction"

• "Forgetting about the standards the Lord has put before us."

• "Compromise with the world will destroy how the lost view Christ."

• "Not caring and having a calloused heart."

• "They see themselves as doing great things for the Lord, and do not realize they are very Laodicean in nature, and they will continue to be ""desensitized"" to the world's philosophies."

• "That we will turn our hearts away from God, and in the process not bring others to the saving knowledge of Christ."

• "lack of true disciples for the cause of christ."

• "They are not dedicated to living for Christ"

• "Christians not being balanced. Either allowing themselves to do anything or being very legalistic"
• "That our generation will continue to fight over the same cultural issues from the 60s and 70s and not progress on to actually impact our generation for Christ."
• "Their lazy, fat, obnoxious, rude, uneducated, unsophisticated and depraved."
• "That the church will become so laxidazical that either nobody can stand up for their faith and thereby abandon it, or they are so stubborn about one position that they will not have the capacity to look at all sides of the issue and decide for themselves which the best one is."
• "getting tired of the bickering, backbiting, and namecalling in Fundamentalism"
• "That we don't care and we are beginning to conform to the world."
• "The permeation of godless culture on our young people has undermined the growth of many."
• "That my generation will breed a worse one."
• "The decline of Christian boldness and incline of worldliness."
• "That we will fail to effectively transmit our beliefs, actions, and reasons for doing what we are doing to the next generation and that we will be the ones to usher in God's judgement upon our children."
• "apostacy of the believers and laziness in fulfilling the great commission. I also fear people being content with were they are at spiritually."
• "Being lulled into compromise"
• "Falling away from the church to the world"
• "Laziness"
• "Worldliness and academic sophistication or pride"
• "For young fundamentalists specifically, to not allow our bitterness against the movement to influence our theology. For our generation in general, I hate the deep hopelessness we have."
• "Apathy"
• "Lack of concern for eternity."
• "The gap between liberalism and legalism will close. I see many churches that lack conviction, are afraid to preach what the bible says, and are afraid to address issues. But, I also see many churches that have grown to be legalistic, whether by written rule or attitude of church. I want to see more biblically sound churches that are not afraid to stray just a little from the traditions of their"
• "That we will lose our trust in the reality of absolute truth. It is difficult to battle modern philosophy with a biblical view point on truth. Once we lose our faith in the absolute truth, relevancy, and efficacy of the word of God, our actions, thoughts and beliefs will begin to slide. Our secular counterparts live in a society that has rejected the idea of absolute truth and are left with hopeles"
• "I fear we may swing to far in the way of acceptance."
• "Desensitization- our world(Young people especially)is being desensitized by music and entertainment, which is leading them further along the pathway to Hell."
• "that we will not find joy in our relationship with Christ."
• "many will quit. i think were in the end times. "'the beginning of sorrows.'" ones will draw away from their beliefs and cause others to quit. Its gona be bad."
• "Apathy, materialism, cowardice."
• "My greatest fear for my generation of Christians is that the current lack of a thoroughly Christ-centered direction will take many of us to the world's man centered solutions to the problems of life. This would render Christians practically useless."
• "failure"
• "they hold on to a past (childhood) "'religion and Church'" and not as much on a current personal relationship with God"
• "Apathy in our relationship to Jesus Christ"
• "Lack of focus on the important things in life."
• "Apathy"
• "worldliness, apathy, being able to get by with mediocre spiritual depth by simply agreeing to a set of standards--at least in public"
• "lack of commitment"
• "That we live our lives focused on the appearance of a Christian instead of majoring on the establishing of the inner man."
• "Weak home teaching and reinforcement of the truth."
• "homosexuality"
• "Tp get caught up in the pleasures of this world"
• "Laziness and seeking ease in the ministry. We need to get a little of the fire of past generations and mix it with a solid commitment to the word."
• "APATHY!"
• "syncretism between modern world philosophies and the central message of Christ"
• "WE are driving away those who we ought to be embracing, and we are then falling away ourselves for lack of support."
• "Apathy and inclusivism of all belief systems"
• "That they will completely abandon the movement and turn into people who push their ""liberties"" so that they can do whatever they want and call it ""glorifying Christ.""
• "Over-correction. Fundamentalism swings from one extreme to another. We need to be careful not to over-correct the mistakes of the previous generation of Fundamentalists."
• "becoming to much like the world"
• "The decline in moral standards and ignorance of the effect of media, music, harmful associations and false teachers affecting this generation."
• "That it's too late to effectively reach them...as the church has built a track record of not caring about them."
• "I think it is far too easy to ""be a Christian."" In other words, I think with the seeker movement reduces Christianity to something less than it really is."
• "That we will lose sight of important things in life."
• "That we squabble over semantics, while overlooking the big picture: the glory and will of God."
• "Failing to train anyone to go on for God!"
• "Swallowing New Evangelicalism and all it entails wholly and abandoning Fundamentalism all together. I am afraid there is going to be split, causing more harm to the cause of Christ. The Scriptures is sufficient without the logic of man. Let the Scriptures speak."
• "quitting"
• "That many of my peers will walk away wholesale from fundamentalism as a movement because of the lack of the former generation's defense of their positions from the Scriptures in regard to liberty issues."
• "An increase in division. My generation has some how found a way to divide over the divisiveness of the previous generation."
• "Flipping to extremes & reacting sinfully to the rest of Christianity"
• "apathy and families"
• "We will leave Fundamentalism. We will lose sight of the vision that the previous generation had concerning separation and abandon the work they have done. We will become absorbed in the KJV issue and forget the real focus of our movement"
• "that we will allow discouragement to ruin our testimony's for Christ- that we would allow all the little disagreements on standards and petty issues to corrupt our basic belief system- God did not save us to worry about music and dress, but lost souls and our personal walk with him. i'm afraid my generation will give up on God, because it's too hard to distinguish themselves from fanatical believe"
• "Apathetic, lack of love, lack of intelligence"
• "Fantasy View of God"
• "Doctrinal ignorance and fleshly living"
• "It is so easy to turn your back on God in an effort to free yourself from legalism. Many who grew up in a legalistic environment leave it eventually. Fundamentalism is equated with legalism. The charismatic churches have the love and acceptance that is not present in most baptist churches. That unconditional love is a powerful draw to those who have only seen God's condemnation of their inad"
• "That they will become pragmatic with regards to spiritual things"
• "I am concerned that we will compromise our beliefs. I am not as concerned about our music and entertainment choices as I am the mindset/heart attitude that informs those choices. I am concerned that our preachers/seminarians will follow the new evangelical movement because they attractively package their arguments and beliefs."

• "For my generation of fundamentalists? That they would give up on fundamentalism."

• "Not being able to tell the difference between the saved and the lost."

• "We will get too caught up in our comfort zone and not desire to make a difference in the world because of the materialistic view of the unbelievers that is impacting the church today."

• "People either 1) falling into the bondage of legalistic thinking--believing that God's ""approval"" of them rests on their ability to keep up with the list of DO's and DON'Ts so prevalent in Fundamentalism OR 2) people rejecting the legalism in favor of a wicked lawlessness, allowing themselves to be so absorbed by the world that they have no affect on it."

• "A focus that is on the unimportant to the point that we neglect the Great Commission."

• "lack of personal separation. satan uses the world to destroy God's people"

• "rapid decline from evangelism into a social type."

• "Persecution coming and everyone running from it instead of standing up for what is right and fighting against what is wrong. Too get so divided on issues just the topic of this survey and forgetting why we are here. Not to debate over every possible issue that the academic world can create, but to live our lives in the fear of God and Him alone, and to be obedient to whatever He has called us to"

• "To continue in the path of the current trend...that is religious apostasy and tolerance"

• "Breakdown of the family. Churches will fall apart without the godly sanctifying influences of the home on individuals all throughout the week. The family or household is the primary vehicle for ministry, if it breakdown we are in trouble."

• "That they will fall away from the faith and compromise their values"

• "that we will forget about God"

• "That we will be easily discouraged."

• "That our generation will start becoming brainwashed with modern morals or lack thereof. I fear that we will never step out of our comfort zone and do God's work before it is too late."

• "Jesus is head knowledge but not heart knowledge. They are just going through the motions and will eventually stop. In society as a whole it is that they accept everyone's beliefs as ok and do not think for themselves about what is the truth."

• "We aren't willing to follow Christ if it will be inconvenient."

• "A great apostasy. A mighty death within the universal church."

• "My fear is that this world might come down to not agreeing on certain things with each other."

• "Moral failure"

• "That they will be overwhelmed in mediocrity, cliche, mindless belief, and depraved tastes."

• "Abandoning their faith"

• "raising my kids in this generation"

• "That they will too quickly accommodate their principles to the world's philosophy. As the cost of living increases the allure of material possessions increases."

• "That we have been turned off by the Fundamentalist movement and that many people who graduate from Christian schools will stop living for the Lord (outwardly) as soon as they are out of school. We haven't been taught enough about God and don't grasp that reality, therefore it doesn't impact/ change our lives."

• "Becoming like the world"

• "A failure to understand personal holiness and the need to have a relationship with Christ even outside of church"

• "That they are falling far away from God that there will be no return"

• "Passivity"

• "That the world will eat us alive little by little, and our faith will become of secondary importance."

• "not knowing what they believe and following others"

• "* We do not Fear God and rely on prayer. We are comfortable."
• "That modernization will enable them to become mundane. I fear that Christianity will continue to be lukewarm."
• "that we will get caught up in the church growth and charismatic movement. There are many christians that are not discerning and are being lead astray by some of these philosophies."
• "Greater and more destructive sins and their affect upon society."
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• "That women start to wear pants and people start reading the New King James privately...just kidding - good question - My fear is that we become (maybe continue) to be focused inward on not getting written off, not being labeled, and we forget that we are trying to reach and disciple a world that doesn't know a whole lot about the Bible and Christianity. We are not trying to disciple a world that"
• "be desensitized to who christ is and what all he has done for us and that we follow the world more"
• "Overall, there is such a trend toward outright sin and debauchery. Withing Fundamental circles, I fear that some may take their desire to get out of Fundamentalism too far and stray to areas they should not be. Changes are needed, I think, but we need not abandon the cause."
• "That they will not think through why they believe what they believe, and stay stuck in the same old unbiblical ways of thinking that many fundamental churches and institutions are stuck in."
• "that the increase of preversion will hinder the cause of Christ"
• "Relativism"
• "Continual compromise... forgetting the holiness and greatness of our God by watering down His gospel and not living a life that reverences Him."
• "We will swing to the opposite end of the spectrum from a "'second-degree legalism'" (standards rather than sanctification through fellowship with God) and become extremely worldly."
• "That we will be waylaid by moral laxness and seduced by sensuality."
• "Many do not seem concerned with seriously following Christ."
• "that they don't know what they believe and could not fully explain their beliefs in sharing the gospel"
• "the administration changes at Bob Jones"
• "That we will get too laid-back in our attitude toward God and church."
• "More and more teenagers are becoming "'Bible illiterate'". Too many young people in my generation are clueless about biblical principles and godly beliefs. Those young people that are saved are failing to reach their generation with the gospel (myself included)."
• "Too many of our college students are spending their time playing video games, watching tv and moview, and going to movie theatres."
• "That they do not know what they believe."
• "Not really sure, but if they dont start evaluating exactly why they do what they do, then they will find themselves enforcing traditions and rules without meanings."
• "that many liberal views are coming into mainstream acceptance."
• "We are wandering - we know what we have is right, but it is not our own - it is not personal - it has been given to us, but it we do not possess it - We know "'of'" Christ - but we do not know Him"
"That the ideas of "cultural engagement" will morph into cultural conformity, that advancing the kingdom will turn into playing outside the walls."

"Our generation is too easily enamored with grace and love to the exclusion of holiness. The pendulum has swung too far from the extreme emphasis placed on holiness by the original leaders of Fundamentalism. Grace is our delight and empowerment, while holiness is our goal."

"failure of the family"

"That we will see the truths of the Bible, and then go on as usual. That we will continue to lose our missional fervor. That we will fail to engage the world in a meaningful way, superficially glossing over the issues with pat answers."

"not being biblical in the way we preach or practice ministry"

"Materialism"

"That they will give up on their personal relationship with God and in turn fall out of the ministry."

"Spiritual apathy"

"For my generation of fundamentalist brothers and sisters, my greatest fear is that they relagate holiness to a list of do's and don'ts, forget the mandate to love the Father and people above all things, and neglect proactive consideration of how to live in the midst of a world that hates Christ, loves sin, and whose only hope is the redemption available through faith in the preached gospel."

"Going through the motions"

"close-mindedness"

"The rise of secularism and the decline of theism"

"Worldliness, lack of confidence in the sufficiency of Scripture and therefore Christ. A cowardly attitude of running from the problems and weaknesses of our movement"

"People having a head knowledge of Christianity, but it not making an impact in their lives."

"That we are letting entertainment be our guide through life. Too many people are letting the media make their choices for them. It's ok to go to the movies once in a while as long as that isn't what's ruling your life."

"APATHY"

"That we will continue in the moral decline that we are in, that souls will not be saved, and that God will judge America for disobeying Him and disrespecting His Word. We have forsaken God and His ways in our daily lives and focus on the pleasures of this world."

"We are forgetting and losing appreciation for our roots. Many of my fellow students are making a bolt for a more worldly philosophy of life and ministry than the philosophy on which they were raised (music and entertainment, etc.) I fear the holiness of God is being severely neglected."

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"worldliness and lack of passion for Christ"

"that they will get caught up in all of the "'rules'" and decide to forget it all."

"Dealing with those who are stuck in tradition. It's something's not working and it can be fixed without violating scripture - then let's fix it."

"sin"

"That love for the world will not overcome us."

"That persecution will come because of our belligerence and false uniting of Christ with conservative politics. That we will fiddle and dance in our own social clubs as Rome burns."

"failure to truly have the gospel communicated and exhibited"

"They will become more and more disinterested in having a godly family--living together & having kids with no desire for marriage."

"They are too prone to set up gods of entertainment and miss God's short and long term will for their life."

"laziness, middle of the road"

"I fear that when persecution comes the faith of many will prove to be shallow or false."

"that they will be swayed away by the false belief system of the world little by little and have no impact for Christ"
• "Diminishing love for God as replaced by the love of pleasure"
• "Generally apathy toward the Bible."
• "That too many of us will swing to far. That we will react against the strong standards and militant views of the older generation. That we will not learn from their strengths. That we will only look at their weakness and use them as an excuse. That we will be blind to the weakness of our generation."
• "we are following our parents in materialism, seeking our joy in things and not Christ"
• "That they will not believe on Christ and be saved."
• "That they will continue to follow the steps of the previous generation and continue to leave God and His Word out of all aspects of life."
• "They will get so deep in sin that our generation will be the one to send the downfall of our nation."
• "Becoming comfortable in our world"
• "that the torch has not been passed down enough and so many will be biblically unsound."
• "We will become less separated from the world. Our standards are slowly declining and soon there will be no dividing line."
• "Growing disbelief in the accuracy and authority of God's Word. The non-caring attitude of many (including fundamentalists - esp. young people)about sanctification in their personal lives. They know the doctrine, but don't apply it to their lives."
• "That we'll be forced to spend so much time & energy defending our perspectives to the older generation that in-fighting will become (remain) the most recognizable trait of Fundamentalism"
• "laziness"
• "That we are degenerating into vile sin."
• "living selfish, small-visioned, man-fearing lives"
• "that they won't care enough to change"
• "That their doctrine doesn't affect their heart."
• "That they will think that there is no more they can do for Christ"
• "No parents to direct."
• "Liberalism"
• "I have the fear that most of my generation has hopped on the bandwagon of the Rick Warren lifestyle and practices. It is very shallow and I have seen extended family sucked into this garbage."
• "Apathy toward the lost because of heightened materialism"
• "My generation has generally lost its compass, both morally and spiritually. Fundamentalism must continue to adhere to the truth and let it not be compromised. My generation questions truth, as it is evident in our post-modern society."
• "I fear that a lot of those who have grown up in fundamentalism aren't truly saved, and that those of us who are saved don't understand the gospel as fully as we should. I don't recall hearing a really, really clear and detailed presentation of the gospel until I was 17 (although I could have listed all the ""evils"" of CCM and of going to theaters to see movies). Until then, I thought Christianity w"
• "Even some of the fundamentalists are shifting away from the view that there are absolutes in this world."
• "Lack of time"
• "One of my greatest fears is that a post-modern mindset will continue to increase in influence in our churches. I fear that more and more members of my generation will begin to agree with the philosophy that all religions are basically the same."
• "I don't have concern for the direction of the unsaved because the Bible makes it clear what we can expect from the world. For my Christian peers, I fear we will continue to spend our time and energy arguing issues that are less important than the destiny of souls."
• "apathy"
• "To waste their lives on useless, temporal pursuits"
• "That they will be complacent and understand our great salvation. If they misunderstand the gospel, they will be captured by the world's philosophies."
• "NOT SURE"
• "1. They will be like the older Fundamentalists and not know how to engage the culture properly
2. They will become centrists 3. They will become pluralists"
• "That the cares of the world would overtake them and they would lose sight of what is true, real, and valuable in God's eyes."
• "Narrow minded thinking, just buying the old cliches of the past generation without studying and coming to their own conclusions, regardless of what others might think of them."
• "That we will be cut off from the older (wiser) generation of fundamentalists because they separate from us. That in our zeal to glorify God we will not see the value of a fundamentalist truth base."
• "That we will further embrace the grave weaknesses of fundamentalism and ignore the call of Christ to be salt and light in our world. Too often we are concerned about the trivial rule-bound aspects of our religious community and ignore living the teachings of Christ. Jesus called us to follow him and leave the trivial things behind. He had many harsh words for religious people who were concerned ab"
• "a passive approach to wrong teaching"
• "We have no values, and are incredibly antagonistic against biblical truths"
• "Hypocricism will be the turn-off for our spirituality."
• "Substitute programs for personal relationship with Christ"
• "That we will become worldly and that we will give up on our doctrine."
• "That we will reject the things we have been taught. I know several of the people I graduated from a Christian high school with have completely rejected all things that have to do with Fundamentalism. I think that my generation has been burned out and turned off by fundamentalism."
• "They are disheartened with the ""church experience"" because they feel disconnected from it. What ""worked"" in the past is no longer working. Fundamentalism has failed. It is no longer relevant and has begun to become detrimental to the cause of Christ."
• "that they wouldn't surrender to the spirit everyday, and in effect fall into the temptations of the world"
• "We are to focused on the here and now instead of others and the future."
• "That we are getting sidetracked by the things of this world."
• "The lost."
• "Failure to raise the call to the future generations of leaders."
• "I am concerned that my generation has grown up without seeing the reality of who God is and how the knowledge of Him should affect every single moment of every single day."
• "they will be turned off to god by fundamentalists"
• "not knowing what they believe"
• "apathy"
• "That the apathy towards truth (because truth presented in many pulpits is a man ridding a hobby horse) and throwing in the towel and turning over to carnality."
• "relativism winning out"
• "Lowering of standards and not faithfully witnessing."
• "Morals and standards get farther and farther from the Bible"
• "I am afraid on two different levels. For the wonderful Christian friends I have, I fear burnout. They do so much in so little time that they totally wear themselves out, but I know that God will give them the strength that they need to complete the work they are called to finish. I am also afraid for the people of my generation who have been entrenched in legalism. I know too many people who h"
• "communist and ""who cares attitude"
• "a lack of evangelsism"
• "Probably that we would allow ourselves to become to much like the world to win the world."
• "They are so rich they have become greatly poor"
• "Apathy."
• "total rejection of reason"
• "we have become and continue to grow complacent and comfortable in our Christianity"
• "Falling away from right doctrine and practice"
• "Complacency"
• "Burn-out"
• "Too much entertainment. It causes a lack of quiet to reflect on what Christ did for us on the cross."
• "The death of absolutes."
• "Lack of commitment to and love for the church of Jesus Christ."
• "Lack of theological preparation"
• "Fundamentalism will grow increasingly irrelevant, and I will be afraid to way walk away from the movement."
• "My generation has become loose morally and is in constant danger of pragmatic truth (rationalizing the way we do things pragmatically)"
• "The saints are to worldly and materialistic and uncertain about what they believe in."
• "We will be so discouraged with how churches have historically treated people and not have any interest or desire to become involved in a good church."
• "Breakdown of the family."
• "We would drop the ball on passing Christian Fundamentals to the next generation."
• "That they become consumed with trying to revive a movement that no longer has a goal or purpose and lose focus on what is truly vital to Christ's work in this generation: a loving presentation of truth."
• "Compromise."
• "Worldliness on the one hand, For fundamentalists in particular, that many of my friends who grew up in fundamentalism were never truly converted, and are living a lie, good standards yes, but no true heart change."
• "That we get so caught up in issues that we make the Gospel of Christ of no-effect for the lost. We fundamentalist Christians can often get in the way of God's workings in the lives of people in our own communities."
• "Becoming to modernized in their dress standards and view on the authority of the Bible in all matters of life. That includes the home."
• "That it is already too late"
• "To involved in self"
• "disillusionment with God because of the drifting commitment of the modern/traditional church that focuses on peripheral issues of previous generations rather than connecting with the present issues and mindset of the current generation. I believe Jesus, in His ministry, was effective with the contemporary generation of His day in the venacular, dress, mindset, etc. So should we, but modern fundame"
• "That people won't believe there are any absolutes."
• "I fear that the theological melting pot we have in this country has been, and will be blurring the lines between biblical truth and error."
• "The generation is declining more and more. Peoples morals are becoming looser as well. They are rejecting God, and becoming more postmodern"
• "they will fall in the sam pitfalls of the past"
• "Losing our respect for who God is and our Love for Him and His commandments. I believe we must know the difference between what we want to do and what God requires us to do, for within my generation's lifetime we will be forced to make life-and-death choices based upon whether we will serve God or man. Most in my generation do not love God enough to die for Him"
• "that it will continue to be blinded to the truth of Holy Orthodoxy"
• "Immaturity"
• "I fear a scattering of Fundamentalist thirty-somethings to liberal churches they would never otherwise attend over diversions such as KJV-only, dress requirements at church, home music style, etc. Fundamentalism is quite adept at telling people what's wrong, at the expense of laying out principles on what's right and why."
• "The women running the family and hence the church, ruining the proper order of society."
• "Spiritual relativism"
• "Getting our focus off of what is truly important- majoring on the minors"
• "They will imbibe the philosophy of the world without recognizing it and become gradually more and more blinded. Society is becoming more accustomed to just accepting instead of thinking."
• "We will be distracted by seemingly good things from the cause of Christ."
• "Those that will be left to face the tribulation. I have a great burden to reach the lost with the gospel message."
• "That we will fall farther and farther from the truths of the King James Bible."
• "Fewer going into full time ministry."
• "Pluralism"
• "We have lost sight of what is important."
• "consumed with self."
• "Unbelief. Pride. Lack of prayer. Failure to lift up Christ and failure to repeatedly apply the gospel to hearts."
• "Narrow-mindedness -- and improper perspective on historical theology -- impurity sexually"
• "That they will become selfish bigots, like our preceding generations."
• "Becoming irrelevant in the discourse of national events and issues"
• "I fear that we'll become unconcerned with souls that are dying without Christ."
• "We will shy away from the doctrines preached throughout church history such as sovereign grace and freedom in Christ."
• "Failing to live for the glory of God."
• "A lack of interest for the things of the Lord. A complacency toward sin that is ultimately going to creep into a lot of our churches."
• "inability to pray for those things clearly God's will in the Scripture and doing what needs to be done actively to see souls saved"
• "apostasy and complacency"  
• "That they will not understand the reality of living for Christ joyfully and with passion. That they will be turned off by the deadness that exists in many places."
• "materialism and the impact it has on people in my generation, especially in the American church"
• "We will spend our ministries running down rabbit trails instead of pressing toward the mark."
• "Lack of Bible Knowledge."
• "That many people who think they are saved are not truly saved."
• "They have not been theologically grounded in our fundamental churches and do not understand Biblical principles for separation."
• "The greatest fear I think is not being sure of our future. With the happenings of 9/11, I believe we are concerned of what God may allow to happen to this country next."
• "Lack of Biblical basis."
• "The watering down of Christianity because of the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and the pride of life."
• "Parroting what older generations have said without examining God's word for themselves."
• "The Idate that all roads lead to heaven. I am also concerned that many in my generation when they hear the term "fundamentalist" will run. Unfortunately when you hear that term my generation tends to think radical--like the terrorists. We really need think through a new name."
• "My greatest fear is that Satan will continue to destroy our families. Divorce is so common even in Christian circles now that it is becoming an accepted practice. I feel that our churches cannot survive the next generation without a renewed vigilance to created God-centered, husband-led homes."
• "I feel like we lost the last generation due to the fact that we were more focused on doing than being. If we don't change, this generation will once again discard their parents Christianity."
• "accepting"- we are far too broad and "peace seeking" to be confrontational"
• "Mediocrity"
• "That their children and grandchildren will be raised believing that the Bible is just a good book and that a relationship with Jesus was for our forefathers only."
• "That people are too far to the left or too far to the right. I believe moderation is key in the Christian life. This will help to reach the lost and to edify the saved."

• "Too much open mindedness, tossing out flippantly that which much blood was shed over"

• "My generation is becoming apathetic toward anything spiritual. Even professing ""Christians"" do not care unless it is something they don't like or agree with."

• "Having a form of godliness, but no power of the Spirit."

• "Fragmentation of fundamentalism over non issues"

• "Taking ""Christian Liberty"" too far"

• "My greatest concern is that we will grapple about in comfort and selfishness and fail to truly know and love the One who purchased our salvation--the Lord Jesus. The effects of this cripple every area of life, the less we see of Christ, the less it affects how we live."

• "A Christianity in name only (Cultural Christianity) without the commitment / conviction to Christ"

• "Compromise. That the battles fought by so many before us will be forgotten. That we will cave in to the pressure of this world to not confront, but to tolerate. My biggest fear is becoming like the world--instead of being the bright light shining in darkness that we will be ""one of them"""

• "That they are not being taught biblical principles on how to live their lives"

• """"Busyness"""" and Hollywood will distract people away from Christ."

• "That the Fundamentalist have become Pharisaical in their traditions and have left a strayed away for a good portion of Biblical teaching. The result now like any other religion has cause a breaking into different denominations of Baptist. Hence one of the previous questions on this Survey."

• "We are lazy... we don't like to do anything out of our comfort zone. the movement could completely die out and some of us wouldn't know and wouldn't care."

• "I fear that my generation of fundamentalists may be critical to a fault of their own spiritual ancestry. Instead of leaving the movement, they need to concentrate on helping better it. One of the great benefits of post-modernism has been its observance that we all come from a unique perspective with presuppositions. These are not bad, but need to be recognized, accepted, and possibly modified"

• "that people, even Christians, would forget about God and become the Godless Country that everyone fears."

• "No desire to raise their children with a knowledge of the Lord"

• "loss of effectiveness at spreading the gospel, whether because of lack of morality, credibility, apathy, or rigidity"

• "That we will dwindle to the point where we the impact we have is insignificant."

• "Compromise, and a lack of faithfulness to the gospel."

• "That it will continue in its apathy towards things of the Lord. Our children will only be more apathetic and probably either saved and not in church at all or not saved."

• "We seem to have given up the fight against heresy or at least have become very narrow in our vision of it. We call heretics, ""liberals."" instead of heretics. We call those who held the same beliefs in the past ""heretics,"" so why not today?"

• "We are too self centered"

• "That too many people will be turned off by churches, and not even talk about it."

• "apathy. I see alot of 3rd generation Christians around me in school that are Christian in name but really don't care what they do or believe. they will take their family to church but i don't imagin many of them will have strong families."

• "They want to please others and make things easy for everybody. They want to please all believers and they let people get away with everything because they don't want to offend."

• "That we will fall away from knowing the Word of God. I believe that the cults are way in front of us in training their congregations on what they believe."

• "The battles that are splitting our movement. Fundamentalism is one big group, but there are several smaller sub-groups. All who think they are completely scriptural. Our separation has become an issue of pride not of principle, and while we fight over girls in pants the world is still dying and going to Hell."
• "Falling into sin."
• "That we would lose our focus. Become so intent on fighting with each other (fundamentalists) that we lose all credibility with those around us. This is already happening."
• "That, on the one hand, the inconsistencies and unbiblical emphases of some fundamentalists will drive my generation to the left end of evangelicalism, and that, on the other hand, some in my generation will react against those who are ""going neo"" and will instead continue to tow unbiblical ""lines"" and fall back into the misplaced militancy of some in the older generation."
• "Concerning my generation of preachers: That they put too much emphasis on education and seminary that they neglect ministry. Don't get me wrong there needs to be a happy-medium. I know that there are exceptions but I have seen the M-DIV become the minimum requirement for a pastor and I don't agree with that. Education is necessary, but it may also be through personal study and not through a se"
• "That we will get bogged down on minor details."
• "That we continue to major on minors and unnecessarily ""bite and devour"" one another over petty preferences that biblically do not matter."
• "A departing from the faith."
• "there is so much more for our children, especially our teens to deal with. I am concerned that our churches will die out because our youth is not being trained in doctrine"
• "Falling Away."
• "They don't know how to raise a family. With the loss of the family, there is a loss of our country."
• "That we will lose our religious freedom in America outside the home. It is happening quickly now."
• "That they will be sucked into the secular mainstream American society and never give it a second thought. Church will become something that they used to do or do on occasion. It will be just another option for their Sundays, and, as a result, that will be the attitude that their children will no doubt take to even greater lengths. Materialism and culture will become their gods and spiritual apathy"
• "Concession to the Contemporary Music Movement in the local church."
• "Total apathy or intolerance to Biblical Christianity (Fundamentalism Esp.)"
• "apathy of the things of God"
• "Morals will completely disappear, like homosexual marriage will be okay in the US"
• "To LAX"
• "apathy"
• "Spiritual blindness"
• "Half of them are too worldly. The other half of them are too legalistic."
• "Slowly losing personal/ecclesiastical convictions of holiness."
• "Loving this present world more than Christ."
• "Carelessness about the Bible, Church, Education, Politics, Entertainment, etc."
• "Our lack of knowledge about the Bible. Our lack of experience in the ministry"
• "That the believers will loose focus of Christ, not get excited to serve Him, and have a negative effect on the running of local churches."
• "Two-fold = lukewarm Christianity and apathetic parents"
• "Continuing the downward spiral of ""experiencial"" worship. The ""feel-good"" religion."
• "Apathy and rejecting the faults of Fundamentalism to the point of swinging too far in the direction of Liberalism"
• "We are apathetic."
• "Apathy."
• "The thinking that there is no punishment for the things they do wrong as long as you are socially well off or hold some prominent role in the public eye"
• "To be drawn away from the simplicity of the gospel of Jesus Christ."
• "that thy know Christ"
• "Raising children without any fear of God. #'s of children that have no church influence whatsoever is frightening for the next generation of Americans."
• "While what we face in the world is more than what the older generation has faced, I fear that my generation is not spiritually prepared to face it."
• "A lack of a reality of the presence of Almighty God, and from this a lack of passion to know and serve Him."
• "A continued decline into hedonism, forsaking God for temporary pleasures."
• "Loss of focus on Christ"
• "Not keeping the faith that was delivered unto us. Buying the lie of new evangelicalism"
• "I can't speak for those in my generation who are within fundamentalism, I guess my cohort would be regarded as those who have left. Speaking from that perspective, my greatest fear for the group I'm in is overreacting to the excesses and mistaken emphases within fundamentalism. For example, in our frustration over excessive infighting and separation, we need to avoid treating fundamentalists with"
• "I fear that my generation has welcomed the ""Christian"" movement (music, movies, dress, feel) without looking to see if it is Biblical. No discernment or discipline of their personal lives."
• "Being man centered and not putting their whole focus on Christ."
• "Bible believing christians fight each other and end up forgetting about he lost and dying world"
• "That we would exalt ourselves in pride and not humble submit to God and His Word"
• "Believers: lack of spiritual depth, no relationship with Christ, GREAT lack of discernment and discipline, tendency to be lenient to ""tolerance"" and pluralistic views. A tendency to over-react to perceived problems in fundamentalism and become unbalanced/undiscerning. Unbelievers: idea that there is no truth, growth in the violent and untolerant promotion of ""tolerance", possibility that in the"
• "The continuing destruction of the moral fiber of my generation."
• "So many see the church as a bunch of religious zealots that have a ""do as i say, not as i do"
• "mentality. As a result they dismiss christianity without ever really knowing what it's all about."
• "They will react to the sour taste in their mouth left by fundamentalism."
• "cell phones"
• "Desire to take God out of everything."
• "I don't know if I have a greatest fear, but I am concerned that women are not raising their own children because of materialistic concerns. The church in many cases has put their nice house, their nice car, etc. above raising their own children for the Lord. I went to the largest AACS school in my state, and saw fornication, drugs, wicked music, pornography, etc., usually in homes where the mom wo"
• "That I or they would fall into sin and totally apostate from God."
• "Not thinking through their worldviews."
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• "That we will forget God, and that people will percieve christians ""fundamental wackos"" and became disillusioned with christianity as a whole."
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• "Lose our nation, churches to spiritual lethargy and deadness. Become focused on killing off other believers with whom we don't agree."
• "That will run and hide, allowing liberals to have their way in society."
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• "That we will become so bogged down with the philosophy and head Bible knowledge, that we fail to do the work of the ministry in really reaching people."
• "Apathy--we have been so land-blasted by extreme fundamentalism that we've given up even trying. More real examination of Scripture and less exposition of your ideas about Scripture. I'm afraid my generation doesn't think it's worthwhile to serve God."
• "I believe the Christians are doing the exact same things unsaved people are"
• "Lack of Response"
• "The attitude of ""My parents were too strict, so I'm not going to have any standards."
• "Too selfish and hedonistic."
• "I see a growing apathy in Christian young people and a decline in missions."
• "lose sight of reaching the lost and growing in in Christlikeness."
• "We lost sight of previous history and did not learn from it. Therefore we seek to define our own generation. We have embraced post-modernism and relativism, thus blurring the line of truth."
• "Casting off the legalism of our parents & stepping too far into the ""I love God"" mentality."
• "That we would continue to be silent as our culture plummets farther into sin and rejection of Christ and Biblical values."
• "That this generation is too focused on do's and don'ts and not the principles of the Bible. We have been trained to follow a list of laws without a Biblical explanation of them. Far too many in this generation are now rebelling against the Scripture because they have seen the hypocrisy and double-standards in those who have taught us and are now disillusioned with a separated form of Christianit"'
• "Apostacy"
• "That many are ""not getting it"". History can be a good teacher and some have not learned the WHYs of Fundamentalism or have ignored the battles that were fought. In addition, seemingly with ""eyes closed"", some are embracing a subtle form of New Evangelicalism OR communicating the same kinds of criticism toward ""tradition"" fundamentalists. I fear that Fundamentalism is in danger of a great split!"
• "We are apathetic and lazy. Everything is handed to our generation right away. We do not know discipline, or hard work. I am afraid that we won't do great things for God because we are too lazy to attempt them."
• "will continue in the path of spiritual ambivalence established by our parents' generation"
• "becoming too wordly"
• "Falling into political correctness. Not being able to discern error in books and movements (Purpose driven life for example)."
• "We are missing the boat in reaching the lost. . . we are too busy fighting with each other."
• "That we give up the fight for the Biblical idealism we encountered in college because it is hard to accomplish in our fundamental churches."
• "Being 2nd or 3rd-generation Christians it seems that we don't really know why we believe what we believe. We can't stand up to things and defend Christ."
• "Turning away from the truth of the Bible for the ""fad"")
• "The decline of the family and a real understanding of God's role for men and women."
• "That we would cause our movement greater harm by our reaction to the previous generation's excesses."
• "The teens in the way they are heading when it comes to their pick of entertainment and friends"
• "That in our effort to reach out more that we will end up becoming another version of like the conservative evangelicals."
• "Media"
• "That we will be content to go through life without bothering to know the people around us. We are given a free gift, and we are certainly not living how Christ lived if we keep it to ourselves."
• "That they are so worldly and that the Christian young people are being taught strict rules instead of solid Bible principles on which to base their decisions."
• "The constant downward spiral of morals and values, leading to views apathetic towards spirituality"
• "Lack of Biblical base for decision making. We are not anchored to the Word."
• "That we will become too comfortable in our Christianity."
• "Throwing the baby out with the bathwater. A wholesale rejection of fundamentalism due to some of its problems."
• "Rejecting valid boundaries in the pursuit of Christian liberty. In other words, failing to see that some of the ""standards"" of Fundamentalism exist for a good reason. Rather than throwing away the whole standard in the name of freedom, we need to learn to discern carefully how those standards apply to today's culture."
• "compromise, lack of heart for God, worldliness"
• "That we have been burned out by the ridgeness of schools and churches that we have been brought up in and thus have turned our backs on what we were raised to be."
• "Same old concern with a different name-spiritual apathy"
• "That we will go through our entire lives more worried about what other "believers" think of our belief system and practice than we are about those around us who need to be loved, cared for, and shown Christ through our lives"
• "I fear that in our modern day of technology and materialism, Christians will be distracted more and more and be less and less affective"
• "the moral decline"
• "Acceptance and complacency in their life. Post-modernism and shunning of the true fundamental beliefs. We do not have a group of people that are passionate in the beliefs, but live in fear of offending another instead of living out the truth."
• "I believe the number one detriment to society is wealth and all the negative effects that has on society. I feel that as Americans we have more and are willing to sacrifice less for the cause of Christ. I feel that the lure of the luxuries of life are what is destroying American Christians."
• "I would like to see fundamentalism define itself carefully. I think we need to be cautious of the neo-evangelical situation that pulled people away from strong doctrine under the accusation that fundamentalists fought too much. If we are not careful, young fundamentalists will do the same thing under the accusation that "the Bible doesn't say I have to do X, Y, Z, and I deserve my liberty.""
• "this will take too much time"
• "Monetary motivation"
• "Apathetic Christians, bored with Christianity"
• "Not eating the chicken because of rejection of the bones- meaning throwing out fundamentalism instead of helping to correct the flaws and continuing with the proper foundation."
• "Become enamored with numbers and compromise to get more people in the pews. We will be weak Christian leaders not knowing what we believe or how to stand up for our core beliefs."
• "Worldliness - not being separate"
• "We will react and become bitter and find ourselves facing the same things we are criticizing the leadership of now."
• "Be complacent. I'm afraid we will fail to see opportunities or take steps of faith. I'm afraid we'll be comfortable in our knowledge."
• "that the "I don't really care/it doesn't affect me" attitude will become more prevalent and affect the effectiveness of churches and the spread of the gospel"
• "Being over-reactionary to the faults of fundamentalists."
• "Rampant immorality in the world. Lack of passion for God and His ministry among Christians."
• "They are ignorant of God"
• "living by someone else's beliefs--nobody knows what the Bible says about issues, just what they heard or read someone else said"
• "Contentment"
• "apathy"
• "That they will succumb to the world's pressure and fall into the trap of loving God rather than self."
• "We are sitting back and doing nothing. We are letting ungodly music enter our churches we are not reaching those who need Christ most, the homosexuals, unwed mothers etc."
• "We seem to have become more self-oriented and lazy. Rather than doing things for God (within the church and community), we have become selfish, looking out for number one."
• "I have no fears about this generation - the Lord's doing just fine."
• "I fear we will become too busy with ministry to see others or take time to make a difference in their lives."
• "That Satan will continue to chip away at Fundamentalism so gradually that Fundamentalism will almost unnoticed become the New Evangelicalism of old."
• "Lack of faith"
• "That their love for pleasure is all-consuming. We are a generation that too-often does not know what we believe, or why we believe it, we follow along because we were taught to do or say something. Many people my age abandon any belief that is uncomfortable in their pleasure-seeking life."
• "I fear that we have and will become laxadaisical."
• "My generation will fall into worldliness! My generation is headed in the wrong direction - Satan is attacking!"
• "Being misled by pragmatism"
• "My generation is not fundamentally different from any other generation, thus, my concerns are the same as I would have for any human being. The inherent idolatry of the human heart is a powerful force which leads men astray. I fear for those who are not acutely aware of this tendency."
• "Laziness, apathy"
• "They will be caught up in this present generation."
• "Growing to comfortable with the things of this world that we neglect the promotion of the Kingdom of God."
• "I fear that they will continue to make value-judgments based on what their peers and the media presents to them and not on sound wisdom."
• "Forsaking a Biblical view of right and wrong, and over-correcting for the mistakes that fundamentalists have made."
• "Apathy"
• "I'm afraid that we will ""take cover"" from instead of reaching out to a postmodern people who have thrown out any absolute standard."
• "Apathy"
• "Majoring on minor issues."
• "Materialism has become more important than world evangelism."
• "The lack of godliness in my peers is a great concern today."
• "I'm concerned that they have a deep relationship with the Lord and not just know many facts about theology."
• "relativism"
• "apathy towards the Bible"
• "The fact that many believers in the Fundamentalist, Bible-bileiving churches are not grasping the heart change and reality of God and His work. They are not studying the Word of God in developing their own convictions (or allowing God to do such a work)."
• "too accepting of everything"
• "apathy"
• "That it will be the last."
• "We are too neutral and too passive. It seems like nobody really cares. There is too much compromise and trying to fit in with the world. The world does not hate (as the Bible warns they will) many of us because many of us are just like them."
• "That we are to lax about conforming to the world"
• "That it would continue down the path of morale decitence."
• "I am concerned that fundamentalism is going to die because of the tightening of the ropes through ""Biblical separation."" I believe that there has been too much ""double standard"" in fundamentalism, especially in music, when it comes to the association principle. This is going to hurt world missions if it is not stopped."
• "apostacy"
• "A false gospel within fundamentalism. I believe that thousands of church members are lost because a false gospel is being preached. A prayer is magnified (i.e. ""Dear Jesus come into my heart") and Christ is minimized. Preachers rarely preach who Jesus is and what Jesus did. Many only preach a Heaven-centered sermon ending with ""Who wants to go?"" The Lord is presented as someone who simply wan"
• "apathy"
• "I fear that some fundamentalist in our generation are reacting to the current generations mistakes and going to far another way. A good example is the law and grace issue. Some people think standards are preached too much so they refuse to even make specific applications. Reacting too strongly towards certain things is a big concern. Also our culture is so perverse and wicked (pornography,etc...)"
• "A lack of application in preaching. A preaching of theology rather than the text. Seeing their systems in their texts."

• "They are letting too much of the world determine how the live, act, dress, and think. They don't view sin and separation from the world as god views it."

• "our lack of commitment to Christ and to our homes, and our lack of Bible wisdom and doctrinal knowledge"

• "our lack of moral compunction and spiritual knowledge"

• "Disenchantment with Church because of unloving, uncaring Christians."

• "Music and Morality issues"

• "Complacency in their Christian walk and growth as well as a dissatisfaction with the deadness, fakeness, senseless traditionalism, pride and hypocrisy in the church."

• "that they will worsen."

• "That we will either be legalistic or licentious in our approach to the world and separation."

• "nothing will change"

• "To lose our children because of the foolish arguing over petty issues."

• "That we will throw the baby out with the bath water. That my generation will return to the origin of fundamentalism and choose to carry it's banner high in the midst of a lost and dying world. I want to see my generation apply its passion for righteousness to relevant, god-honoring outreach that may not appeal to previous generations of fundamentalist but will glorify God nonetheless."

• "That they will become uset about the trends of Fundamentalism and join hands with the New Evangelicals."

• "Too many people are like Lot (pitching their tent toward Sodom) and they don't see the real danger they are in of getting caught up in the world."

• "To allow distractions to create divisiveness. That many will be come disillusioned by the extreme factions that neglect balance and leave our movement. Too many young people do not desire to reform the movement, they desire to run from it."

• "That we will be so divided that we will be ineffective."

• "Apathy"

• "A loss of standards - not just physical, but spiritual standards and being able to not compromise beliefs for the greater good."

• "Moral Failure"

• "That they will lean more heavily toward the world than the past generation has especially in the area of music. People that seem to have a passion seem to be drawn to the emotional side of things resulting in promoting music that is no different than the world."

• "Apathy"

• "That we fall into the trap of the former generation of fundamentalism and exist for the sole purpose of preserving fundamentalism. Who cares about fundamentalism! Care about God! Care about truth. Too much of fundamentalism is caught up in defining itself and preserving itself. Who cares!!!"

• "That they will go to the "'far left'" because of the hypocrisies they see in fundamentalism today."

• "That too many are wrapped up in themselves or other things and not focused on God and Glorifying Him first...doing this by witnessing."

• "That my generation is unwilling and unable to adjust and adapt to the constant changing culture around us."

• "Following one man whole-heartedly and unreservedly and not following God's Word more."

• "we will raise even more ungodly families than we are"

• "Apathy, lack of appreciation for those who held and are still holding the line"

• "Apathy and selfishness (ie, an unwillingness to proclaim Christ)"

• "My greatest fear is that we will, after hearing it over and over again, give up on ourselves. Believe the idea that we are a "'lost'" generation and lose faith, lose hope. That instead of being used by God as restorers of crumbling foundations, that we will simply sit on those foundations and pout as they fall further and further into disrepair."

• "lack of relevance to the world"

• "Falling to the things of the world"
• "People looking to Hollywood as a replacement for Christ."
• "That we will reject the fundamentals of the Bible because of mis-guided, unbiblical standards of past leaders, that there will be no standards, period."
• "Complacency"
• "being hypocritical in their faith. Say something in the church and live opposite at home or work. Also become more evangelical in their music standards and the way they worship and view God as a whole. It is more of a carefree spirit. Doo what feels good at the time."
• "Loss of Standards"
• "we are being exposed to so much homosexuality, abortion, ect. I fear that those things will just get worse and worse."
• "The seeker sensitive philosophy"
• "Arrogant dependence upon our ability to "do things right" coupled with an unwillingess gain wisdom from past generations."
• "That the current "deadness" within the church will not be shaken loose. That our current generation will not stand up and demand and accurate Biblical foundation within fundamentalism and we will continue to follow dogma of traditionalism."
• "My generation of fellow believers? To be marginalised and and for every word and action to be thought irrelevant due to acting like a suspicious sub-culture"
• "That we as Christians would become either so apathetic or so separatist that we lose our saltiness. In the first case, we would compromise so much that we would be indistinct from the world. In the second, we would separate ourselves so much from the people of the world that we become isolationist and effectively monastic."
• "That we would be extremists like some that have gone before us...and miss opportunities and have the wrong focus about becoming more like Christ."
• "Apathy"
• "That we will destroy this country through apathy and that many have been brainwashed by the liberal media. They need to stop claiming Christ with their mouth and really mean it and live it. Pick up the bible. Read it, believe it, live it."
• "becoming more like the world (losing Christian identity)"
• "When Christ returns for His people, will He find faith on the earth? Or, will there be mostly those who do, say, and believe the right things, but there is no Light within?"
• "That we will not awaken from the intellectual stupor that has blighted our churches with apathy and a fear of aplying our minds to theological problems."
• "That we will be sidetracked by extra-biblical terminology."
• "repelling the lost. since the world rejected Christ, they will reject us, but sometimes we give them more than enough reason to."
• "Conforming their minds and lifestyles to the world instead of daily transforming their minds by meditating in God's Word."
• "That American Christianity will go the way of England in the last century."
• "A lack of commitment to the cause of Christ"
• "Using frustration or a desire to just be different as a catalyst for implementing changes without open minded thinking."
• "In America, the allurements of the world and the flesh. Our wealth often leads us to spiritual poverty. In the American church, the vibrance and passion of the neo-evangelical movement could potentially lead my generation to doctrinal error, if we do not guard the fundamentals of the faith. I foresee a split with the older generation, since they often hold to "standards" as strongly as doctrine"
• "Too many people have become cynical because they see failures in trying to live up to the "do's and don'ts" that fundamentalism has placed on them, taking away from a personal relationship with Jesus Christ."
• "They will forget God"
• "Their lack of true Christianity... they want to be "Christians" but live just like the world."
• "hypocrisy, false faith"
"That Christians will leave fundamentalism because of dead worship services and little growth, and go to New E. churches because their worship is more alive and they see more results. The Gospel will be compromised and watered down."

"That they live mediocre lifestyles that are meaningless."

"That we have to much head knowledge and not enough practical belief about God. We are professional in our Christianity rather than passionate. We know a lot of things about God, but don't know Him."

"Our reaction to legalism may be too strong and cause us to go too liberal in our standards."

"That we would focus so much on a movement or a lack of a movement and the issues of that movement that we would lose sight of who God is and what our relationship is like with Him."

"loving the world more than Christ."

"They will be afraid to adapt to the culture in Godly ways in order to have a great impact on it and stay stuck in some of the issues we have been told are important but are not."

"My generation is rebelling against the legalism of our churches since the churches are not giving any acknowledgment to the area of Christian liberty. I don't want my generation to keep walking away from the Christian faith just because of bad experiences with certain churches."

"We are losing the concept of absolute truth. Without absolutes, the Gospel becomes meaningless."

"Being burned out by legalism and missing the joy of a meaningful Christian walk."

"destructive power of sin"

"Pride"

"That we forget that the Lord is real."

"We are too full of ourselves and our agendas."

"No fear of God"

"Apathy."

"That because of concerns of where fundamentalism is at current many in my generation will leave our movement and in the end compromise their ministries and lives."

"I fear that guys will reject conservative standards because it has been taught improperly or over emphasized as a matter of ecclesiastical separation."

"I feel that we may have gotten a bad taste in our mouths by watching so many belligerent "fundamentalists" fight for their beliefs in an unloving way that we may shy away from standing up for Christ at all."

"That we would form ministries too much on things beyond (or outside of) the Word of God."

"More and more people slipping into NeoEvangelicalism and perhaps even ecumenicalism (Willow Creek Associations)"

"That we would become un-Biblical in our methods, and ignorant of our doctrines."

"I fear that we will either maintain our present hypocrisy, or give-up altogether. In both cases, nothing is done for the cause of Christ, and our lethargy is passed down to another generation."

"Getting lost in focus on self. Saying that what a person believes (even about straightforward biblical truth) is good for that person, even if it is wrong. Also, basing beliefs on personal conviction rather than Scripture"

"That they will reject Christianity wholesale as being irrelevant."

"Morality"

"majoring in the minors"

"that we would continue in a form of godliness yet lack the power of the living, dwelling Immanuel in everything we do."

"That the temptations of popularity and the false images of happiness in the entertainment world will cause my generation to avoid a commitment to truth that would cost them personally or cause them to take a stand against evil. We are a selfish generation that desires to have all of the pleasures of life without the responsibilities that accompany privileges."

"Failure to be obedient to scripture as it applies to all aspects of life (relationships, work, church). Settling for the values of the culture rather than being willing to give up possessions for God's kingdom"
• "Getting too comfortable here in this world, being content with more and more money and pleasure (especially in the US) while the lost continue to die without Christ."
• "Flippant attitude toward spiritual things."
• "The "one foot in the world" mentality. Nobody wants God's best anymore."
• "Disillusionment with the "traditional" and dry worship we often see in Fundamental churches - disillusionment that leads them into non-gospel preaching churches in search of "real" experiences with God."
• "Lack of faithfulness to Christ"
• "A loss of a doctrinal foundation"
• "The decline into materialism and the compartmentalization of Christianity within their own lives"
• "Materialism."
Appendix G
Question 73

How can the older generation help you?

- "Get off the age old arguments and stop looking into the past. Start leading by exposing the word for what it says rather than what they have been taught is says or what they want it to say."
- "They can be more willing to mentor and be more willing to use gifted young men."
- "Repent of their self-righteousness and their critical spirit and live a lifestyle of repentance and faith."
- "By actively mentoring the younger generation instilling a militant stand for doctrinal truth coupled with an aggressive pursuit of evangelism."
- "They remind us of our history"
- "by example, by thinking the time to explain carefully the battles they faced and the biblical rationale behind their decisions"
- "Don't stop preaching the Word. Keep reminding us why we should choose the right music and be on guard about the kind of movies and TV we watch."
- "Turning loose of the reins of "controlling" church and recognize the viability of the next Christian generation"
- "Be good, humble examples of a true Christian and not always thinking that they know everything."
- "By giving us advice on what to say to our peers"
- "Teach the young and upcoming preachers the sound doctrines and how to resist them."
- "Provide valuable lessons learned through honest evaluation of the past."
- "Help us at a young age to learn to understand the Bible and apply its truth to our lives and to know how to search it for answers."
- "Lead by example."
- "be more understanding, and not judgemental"
- "Admit fault and humbly lead as they should with regard for Christ's Word and not man's."
- "Don't preach. pray. Interact. pray more. lovingly confront us when we are definitely wrong."
- "Practical experience"
- "personal attention and training"
- "By being a guide through troubled times with their experience and wisdom to prevent stumbling during vulnerability."
- "preach faithfully God's Word and demonstrate consistent application"
- "Continue to offer advice and counsel. But realize that we are fighting different battles than they fought."
- "They can guide us and help direct us in the right way, not slam down on us when we mess up, but gently show us how we need to change for the better."
- "Mentoring! I believe the older generation is dropping the ball when it comes to mentoring the younger generation. Often, fundamental institutions/churches are hiring staff member who do not hold the line. Those who tend towards "new evangelicalism" are given the attention, opportunities, and praise even within our circles."
- "They are very knowledgeable and some have walked w/ God for many years... they are very important to listen to!"
- "Present truth--esp. in preaching."
- "To quit condemning things the younger generation do that are different just because it isn't something they would do. When they say something is wrong to actually have a verse that is specifically in reference to that topic."
- "Teaching, example"
- "Patiently listen and read the Bible. Study Church history."
- "Sharing experiences and wisdom."
- "Mentoring"
• "Be better examples. Care about people more. Not be so worried about issues in the church but be more worried about the lost."
• "Focus on a change in heart rather than external change"
• "By teaching the ""why's"" of fundamentalism rather then the ""how dare you question"" philosophy"
• "Be an example of Jesus - not hypocritical busybodies. Try to connect with us even if they do not like our faded jeans and CCM. Disciple us. We know less than what most people assume. Teach us principles that we can rely on our whole lives regardless of the changing times. Show us through your lives what true Christianity is about. Do not lie to us, we can see through it and it turns us away from"
• "Disciple the young"
• "To encourage us in that which is right. To be supportive of us and pray for us."
• "Be open and honest and transparent. Be willing to admit when they have failed, but be ready to point to the truth and share the most of what God has done. Exemplify humility."
• "Pray and work together with us."
• "Individual and/or small group discipling"
• "Teach us the ways of Christ and lead us through discipleship and spiritual growth"
• "They can help better prepare us for the constant fight against sin and the ways to better reach lost people."
• "By not just teaching Biblical principles but living them."
• "Stop fighting battles that should have died centuries or decades ago, and start displaying the abundant life of Christ. Older men and women must rise up as disciple-makers!"
• "Don't place unnecessary regulations on us except for what the Bible says."
• "Create an environment where we can ask ""why'', even if you don't know the answer. Stress personal Bible study. Encourage Christian young people to marry young rather than sin. Try not to label teens ""rebellious'' it hurts them so much. They are still children and should be treated with tender love."
• "Focus on the internal change God creates in the hearts of men."
• "That we will let the knowledge of God and his gospel become of secondary importance in our lives"
• "1. Teach us from history about how we can avoid mistakes and overcome challenges in Christianity today 2. Support us with their prayers and finances 3. Teach their children and grandchildren to love God, and to understand the importance of the local church"
• "Listen and change"

• "Quit being so dogmatic over issues. Quit raising preferences to the level of doctrine. be sensitive to different worship styles and methods of evang"'
• "Give me a lot of money to do good works."
• "Discipleship"
• "Much Talk of their battles, their struggles, their reasons why they did or have done or are doing things. I don't understand many of them"
• "Source of counsel and prayer"
• "They can teach the truth expositionally and thoroughly...the WHOLE Bible!"
• "Transparency and honesty, consistency, mentoring"
• "Supply wisdom"
• "Show they are concerned about following God's Word not being wrong."
• "Be passionate God-lovers, who carefully examine and teach the Word."
• "They are Godly examples"
• "Teach the heart attitude necessary in a Christian along with the importance of biblical standards and behavior."
• "Listen. We're not the enemy, and if you take potshots at a younger fundamentalist because he's not as ""mature'' as you or because you dislike some of h"
• "Be real people. Stop hiding behind the mask of what you want people to believe that you are. Talk frankly about difficult issues. Talk OPENLY about"
"Preach the word. Major on the fundamentals. Less emphasis on standards, more on solid biblical mandates. Quit talking about how hard it is to serve th"
"by talking"
"Provide spiritual guidance"
"Not trying to stop the younger generation from trying to reach out to the lost by more contemporary means. By supporting younger pastors and missiona"
"Listen to us, our concerns. Talk through it with us. Don't dismiss us or our ideas without thinking it through biblically."
"point out dangers they see from experience"
"Mentoring."
"Teach us Biblical truths and pray for us."
"Major on the majors, minor on the minors, GIVE US CHRIST, PREACH CHRIST"
"They are the ones who got all this started. Their insistence on Christ-like character and Biblical inerrancy was the thing that pushed most of us to l"
"Lead in or at least allow change and protect boundaries."
"They have to see these trends in Fundamentalism and biblically address it in Colleges and Seminaries"
"Continue to teach us why they believe the way they do, while encouraging us to make our own decisions for our personal beliefs"
"By providing wisdom and guidance as we seek to reach our in ways and places that have never been utilized before. By providing a balance for change."
"Being will to open their minds, Just b/c it's the way they did it doesn't mean it's still right. Traditionalism/Church history are important, but the"
"Remember what it's like to be young and struggle with knowing God. Encourage and show love not condemnation."
"Continue to build their relationships with God and strive to disciple others."
"HUMILITY!! It is rare that people in the ""older generation"" are open to correction or eager to explore new ideas. There may be times that we need to"
"recognize where change needs to take place and embrace then necessary changes that need to take place."
"discipleship, leadership, wisdom"
"recognize that the old way is not necessarily the very best way. As difficult as it may be, be willing to let go a little. Notice that you rarely, i"
"advice, but understanding"
"not ceding their influence to younger, more educated saints"
"To impart their wisdom in a gracious manner and remember that we are young and will learn just as they did."
"Be willing to lead, but ready to understand our struggles and concerns- help us be discerning without harshly condemning us or avoiding us as we devel"
"Stand up strong and speak out against the modern movement."
"Produce a few mea culpas, like the evangelicals have done. The honesty would be refreshing and do much to stem much of the disaffection among younger"
"Admit that they made mistakes, and show us that they understand that their generation was not perfect. I think that a lot of the older generation is c"
"Talk, listen, and model Christ."
"See how we as the younger generation are facing different issues than they did in their day and seek to help us form proper philosophies in regard to"
"Realize that the battles in and outside of Christianity today are far different than the ones they faced. Be willing to listen to and attempt to under"
"Make an effort to understand what they hold on to as ""biblical ideals/standards"" are a matter of preference. Outward standards are not a complete lit"
"preach the word"
"The older generation have helped in maintaining separation when necessary. They may now help in living a life of love and forgiveness so that we may"
"Stay strong, show love, listen, handle problems with others without spreading it all over the country, be strong yet always kind"
"a convicting question indeed"
"Preach christ, through correct exegesis and sound application rather than preaching agendas."
"By explaining some obvious failures rather than defending them (i.e. race relations)"
"help us see where we have been blinded to the influences of the world"
"Listen patiently. Teach lovingly. Model biblically. Emphasize Christianity--not fundamentalism."
"By their examples and teaching"
"Older men discipling younger men."
"by giving unbiased wisdom"
"Teach us to study, work, love, teach."
"They need to be good, Bible believing Christian counselors, and make themselves available."
"Encourage and teach"
"Many times all that is 'heard' from many in 'my' generation is the issues. They do not know God, but they know all the "Thou shalt not's." The don't have a clue why, just that they are not suppose to do them. The question why is finally starting to get asked, and 'because' is not satisfactory. A great desire to revist about every issue in the church while asking 'why' is emerging and unless a clea"
"Please see above."
"Counseling"
"By realizing that the world has changed and by adapting their methods and ideas (without compromising biblical standards and truths) to better reach others. Prayer, prayer, prayer."
"Admit their mistakes (every generation falls short in some ways) and communicate where they went wrong and why they went wrong. This would be so helpful in constructing the philosophies and activities of this generation."
"Treat us like we can have an impact for Christ in this world. Teach us by living godly lives themselves and not just teaching godly doctrine. PASTORS HAVING GODLY FAMILIES AND NOT JUST GROWING MINISTRIES!!! PLEASE READ I TIMOTHY 3!!! PLEASE!!"
"Teach us, and leave us a written legacy"
"by teaching us, so that we can learn from past mistakes"
"By communicating to us the wisdom that comes with age, through formal education (e.g. Sunday-school classes) and informal friendship (time spent together in extra-curricular activities)."
"By teaching and discipling"
"don't base the fundamentalist movement on standards --music, dress, etc... begin to teach principles that will enable our generation to think and wisely discern issues for themselves."
"Shepherding us. Relating to us. Living with us."
"Continue to encourage us, strengthen us, and teach us. Continue giving us your advice and wisdom from you experience as spiritual warriors, help us learn from your mistakes so that we won't repeat them (that's my history major coming out of me!) Brainstorm with us on ideas to reach our neighbors and coworkers. Most importantly, please please pray for us!"
"discipling prayer"
"We must consider what the older generation has to say, but still sift what they say through God's Word."
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"By helping to remind us of who Christ really is."
"The older generation can help through the wisdom and insight they have gained throughout their lifetime as a believer."
"Stop complaining about change and embrace it!"
"Keep teaching us to stay true to the unchanging Word of God"
"We can listen to them and learn from them about the basics of the faith."
"By reaching out more and taking us under its wing."
"Because of their aggressive evangelism. Theologically they may not have been as sound, but I don't think that many of them can be faulted for their hearts."
• "By helping us see why they have taken the standards that they have"
• "By being godly examples, by continuing to search the Scriptures for truth and trust the Spirit to do His work among us."
• "They can exemplify Christ to us. God commanded older people to teach the younger generation, and I think that if that was carried out to a greater extent, a lot of change could be made. I believe that the older generation has a lot of wisdom that could and should be passed down to the younger folks, because they do not have that wisdom."
• "Patient dialogue"
• "Not distort the lines between clear, indisputable doctrines of Scripture and personal standards from another time period. Be honest about past failures in our movement and encourage us not to fall into the same trap."
• "Understand that times are different now, and not expect us to do the exact same thing as they did or to believe the exact same thing as them."
• "train us to engage our generation"
• "Personal interaction and discipleship in ministry and family and being able to bounce ideas off them."
• "challenge us but don't pressure us"
• "Encourage us to not give up and help us to understand the old battles they fought to keep our churches pure."
• "Be a better example and teach the truth of the Bible."
• "Pray for us. Also, realize that we need to make some changes and be willing to accept them."
• "They can help us by keeping us in check."
• "give wisdom and encourage from their mistakes"
• "Good apologetics to counter 72."
• "Gentle encouragement and open mindedness. I sense that the older generation, fearing that the winds are changing radically, will respond with stiff necks and will refuse any change accusing the younger generations of being arrogant or impetuous. I think that this will actually limit their influence in the long run. It would be far better to offer experiences that teach enduring principles while"
• "Acknowledge that the gospel is primary and support us in our attempts to see God glorified in it, despite all of the practical things they disagree with"
• "Teach us, disciple us, help us to grow to be mature godly people who love the Lord. I think with this my generation would be very motivated to let others know about Christ."
• "Grounding them in Truth and preparing them to defend it. Praying for them and being involved with them"
• "mentor by example and writing"
• "Be Biblical about all issues. Find out what the Bible really says about those things. Don't use weak arguments and prooftexts for things that are merely tradition and in your comfort zone. See Christlikeness, holiness, pleasing God, and worship as being the important issues."
• "Teach us to not make similar mistakes as their generation and former generations. Older Christians are wiser Christians and we can learn loads from them if we will humble ourselves and submit."
• "Teach us from mistakes made. It saves pain to learn from another's mistakes. pray for us, we need it more everyday. set good examples, to many leaders are failing to lead a pure life themselves, so why should we listen to them."
• "They can create shorter surveys"
• "Teach, teach, teach. Here in Zambia we can use Bible wisdom and practical wisdom from the older, more experienced generation. Come over here and help. We are starting a Northland branch campus and need teachers from the States to teach block courses. Share your knowledge, don't let it die with you."
• "Let go of man-made traditions and stick to the Bible."
• "Mentor by living out a genuine spirituality/walk with God"
• "Be Godly by leading the church properly while being sensitive to the younger generation's ideas"
• "by example and teaching"
"They have gone through this before and have fought the battles we are beginning to fight. There is a lot of wisdom that can be gleaned from them. Our struggles may have a different form but they come from the same source."

"I believe the older generation can help us avoid the pitfalls that they have fallen into by steering us toward the issues that truly do matter. We can learn much from the battles they have fought, but we can also learn from them which battles to fight from here."

"Share their heart, allow me to ask questions and make mistakes, share leadership, keep the big picture in view!"

"Be real/transparent"

"Encouraging us and if needed rebuking us"

"We can look at what they have done and see what has worked and what hasn't."

"Education from the churches, colleges and seminaries"

"Be listeners. Be humble. Be open. Be vulnerable. Stop being fearful of losing members of a movement. Stop being so protective of tradition."

"They can admit where they might be or have been wrong so that we'd be more willing to listen to them on areas where they've been right and strong. The young and the old are in desperate need of true humility and love cenetered on God's love AND holiness."

"Demonstrate to me the life of faith. Show me what a vibrant walk with God and passionate love for Him looks like."

"Without rashly condemning the younger generation's mistakes, take time to disciple and teach."

"Teaching by example"

"Teach us what they believe AND WHY!!!"

"Tell us how they dealt with these moral issues and what did they say to other individuals."

"Pray for us. Love us. Teach us. Don't be afraid of our questions, show us how you reached your conclusions. Allow us to think."

"Tolerance. Mentorship without molding. Listen to questions and actually attempt to answer questions. Not call you out for your question, because they are incapable of answering it."

"We need to learn from their examples and from their mistakes to better be able to serve Christ."

"They can help by relating to us what they have learned, how to handle problems, and what to do when we get out there."

"stay faithful, encourage young people"

"Consider some of their views are standards based and not equal to the Bible"

"by sharing, discussing, listening... but mostly by getting back to the text"

"Helping to disciple the younger generation."

"Devote quality time and encouragement to us."

"preach heart, show example of faithfulness not perfection, if they don't know an answer or are unsure tell us"

"Well, a lot of them are lost in the dark too. I think Christians of all generations need to help the unsaved (and other Christians) of all generations. By the way, number 76 is awfully difficult to answer. If I say yes to all of those, I'm bragging and making myself sound like I'm better than I am. If I say no, I'm bordering on fibbing and making myself sound like I'm worse than I am."

"Give us a better appreciation and understanding of our heritage."

"Listen. Be Honest. Be biblical. Allow for Romans 14 to mean something. Embrace us and then instruct us. Allow us to lead."

"Transparency"

"By encouraging us to follow God, and reminding us that trials have been faced throughout history, but God's word/principles stands all tests of time."

"Teach us history! Tell us why you are fundamentalists! Teach us the non-negotiable truths that cross generational boundaries and define what you are willing to be a minority for. And model what you say you believe. We reject inconsistency faster than anything else. Don't be afraid to stand up to us and tell us we are wrong."

"Transparency. Freedom to dialogue without censure. Tell me what are your concerns for me/us?"

"Mentoring, discipling, aiding in the cause of the Kingdom through the aforementioned processes."
"Teach us...but realize that times have changed and forms of ministry and evangelism made to change as well. Activities and traditions of the church are not inspired by God. Be willing to adapt."

"forget what is not backed up by scripture, and love us, different gifts and all, encourage goals that seem off the wall, trust that God WILL finish the work that He has started."

"Be more direct in their teaching and give Biblical reasons for beliefs, as well as practical reasons for standards that do not necessarily have a direct Biblical reference."

"godly living - keep on keeping on"

"Passing on their experience, mentoring and discipleship."

"show us a relationship with God"

"Encourage a strong Gospel, be centered on the Bible and what it actually says."

"by becoming more involved in our lives"

"Serve as godly counselor's for the younger generation."

"Being the example, talking to the younger with words of wisdom."

"Pray for us. Preach to us the principles of God's Word. Spend time with us!"

"Give spiritual advice and further the cause of Christ alone, not any of their own agenda"

"show where they made mistakes and how we can improve on them"

"Start complaining more to TV stations, and stores about what they display. Too many Christians from the last generation seem to complain about the acceptance of sin, and pray for it, but do nothing about it."

"Teaching and Admonition the younger generation through careful and considerate teaching, example, and testimony."

"Stay with the standards of your day."

"focus on training their children, and living an example of a committed Christian, dedicated fully to serving God and living for Him."

"By encouraging us to stay true to what we believe and not change with the world."

"By reaching out and showing HOW. By being LIVING examples, not just by telling us what we should be doing, but by actually doing it."

"The older generation has fought many battles that we will never have to fight again. The best thing that the older generation can offer is perspective and friendship. Encouragement would be beneficial to any young person looking to be in full-time Christian work."

"Provide direction and help us establish balanced, Biblical goals for our families / marriages."

"Keep praying for us, and teaching us."

"in showing the correct way and try to save lives"

"by seeing good change in the right perspective and not just as all bad, while still seeing bad change as bad and pointing that out"

"By not pretending that they have it all together. By teaching from their mistakes and teaching us to discern. Christian teenagers with humble parents are a lot more godly than Christian teenagers with parents who put up a front of godliness. By continuing to love learning rather than saying "I can't." A lot of people give up because they saw someone they respected give up."

"Confrontation"

"They can tell us where the pits fall lie. They've done this before...we need their insight."

"write some books :)"

"Prayer, Teaching, Finances, Advice, Encouragement"

"by demonstrating faithfulness"

"encourage the zeal, educate us WELL in the truth, and remain prayerfully by our side as we seek to implement, what might seem like a lot of, Christ-centered, Biblical change into our churches and movement"

"Give Wisdom and advice on how to best serve God."

"Prayer"

"encourage us in love, not how we do things"

"Encourage us, help us identify the issues and apply biblical principles to confront these issues"

"We should stand on their shoulders-learn from their mistakes and appreciate the good examples."
"By teaching and guiding us with their wealth of wisdom and experience. I also think that the wisdom they give us however, has to be applied in light of the changing culture. And no, I am NOT talking about watering down or compromising the gospel of Jesus Christ."

"Providing precious lesson they have learned in the ministry, pit-falls to avoid."

"Pray for us!"

"Keep encouraging us to do what is right"

"Teach us! Because of the way many of us were raised, we have a very reactionary mindset. We don't want to make the same mistakes, but we don't want to make new ones, either. They have experience, but many times they are not willing to share."

"They can get back in the fight rather than sit in their pews every Sunday. They passed the torch, but then hung up their running shoes, now that is not fighting the good fight!"

"Get involved and quit complaining about how bad it is. Let them be examples of holy Christians reaching the lost."

"Show what has helped and what has hindered and could be done in the future."

"WISDOM< COUNSEL< GUIDANCE< ENCOURAGEMENT< EXAMPLE"

"n/a"

"they can love unconditionally and be a better example and not complain all the time about their churches. if they are so discontent then leave!"

"discipling"

"Preach the Truth and be an example of the truth."

"pound it into us"

"Discipleship, training"

"Show us Christ in their lives!"

"So many ways. Discipleship, friendships, encouragement, advice for godly living, the list goes on and on. I don't know that I could possible describe every way that the older generation can be a blessing to my generation of Christians."

"Encourage those who are doing right, and offer discipleship."

"Preach the Word"

"By being open to new ideas and encouraging the holiness and faith of young believers. Stop being so stagnant."

"Teach us. We need one on one, personal discipleship from our predecessors."

"I think it is up to the younger generation to listen and respond to the older generation."

"Better example, teach ways to handle immorality. Discipleship"

"By understanding the needs of today and stop focusing on dress and music standards. Let us know that they're willing to discuss central doctrines instead of minor things."

"By encouraging us to ask questions, by being willing to answer questions Biblically, and by not discouraging us from questioning by acting like it's wrong to question the way "'it's always been done."

"Disciple us"

"Disciple us!"

"Mentor us, teach us. Hopefully we can learn from their mistakes so we don't have to make as many of our own."

"Allow a dialogue to exist regarding the many legalistic issues that define us. To reconsider things based on God's truth rather than tradition."

"Show us what they did wrong and encourage us with what they did right."

"by teaching us with the experience they have gained in the ministry"

"Disciple us!"

"They can teach me from their experience and help me to avoid the mistakes they made."

"To share our passions and be patient with our questions. To answer our questions calmly without judgement. That way our generation would not have to fear being labelled as a liberal for having questions. To come along side us as mentors instead of preaching at us with seminars."

"pray/love/disciple/encourage"

"By reminding us of God's love and sacrifice."

"Set a strong example"
• "Be totally yielded to God and show what a life like that is, instead of arguing over separating from this group or that group most of the time."
• "teach guide encourage counsel"
• "By prayer, instruction, advice, flexibility, and a willingness to let go of some tradition."
• "Being a godly example of love, humility, and fear of God. Caring about people, not just externals, and forcing us, by their example of utter devotion and love for God, to imitate them."
• "I think the older generation in churches today is too concerned about being the older generation. Personally I think that the older folks should come and attend the youth meeting and such on a regular basis. Other than saying "' Hi' " in service on sundays I see that the younger guys have very little contact with the older ones. Additionally, I do also dislike the mode of service that we have in"
• "They need to stop being so judgmental of the younger fundamentalist. Just b/c we don't feel the need to fight their battles of the 60's and 70's doesn't mean we are apostates."
• "Continue to stand strong and teach the Word, boldly and truthfully. They need to continue to stand firm for Biblical standards and confront the younger when there is sin. They need to continue to be aware of what is going on today in Christian realms."
• "They can mentor us and tell us what they have learned by being where we've been. Hopefully, my generation will learn from their mistakes and not repeat them and learn from their good and imitate it."
• "DISCIPLESHIP  Not only does discipleship ground the younger believers but it also encourages and motivations the older generation to keep growing in the Lord."
• "By setting an example. Showing us that we do not act a certain way because we have to but because we want true fellowship with the Lord."
• "Dedicated believers praying fervently for revival and faithfully serving God"
• "By proving their positional stance by using the Word of God."
• "It would have been nice if they had restricted some of the media influences on the kids, and had led personally holy lives, and spent a lot more family time in the Word and Prayer (if they spent any)."
• "Discipleship"
• "i dont know"
• "Be faithful in their lives to Christ"
• "by demonstrating a proper walk with God"
• "They can give us great insight with their wisdom regarding their many different experiences, especially in regards to the fundamentalist/modernist controversy and issues stemming from it. We can also learn from their mistakes in these areas as well."
• "Buy, imparting their knowledge with me in order that I might use it in my daily life."
• "By granting strong guidance, mild interference if the path we choose is wrong, and let the new generation learn from the mistakes of not taking the older generations advice."
• "Start focusing on some positives in Christianity"
• "They are more wise."
• "Clarify the ideas of fundamentalism and forsake poor theology."
• "They were a little closer than we are. They can help us remember the way things should be."
• "By setting the example"
• "By training us properly in the essential things and not always preaching about the things that will put the younger people off."
• "They always have been an encouragement when I see faithful dedicated people who disciple others."
• "Encouragement- hold the line"
• "Reach out to them. Make some sacrifices over issues that really don't matter i.e. music. Quit looking down on the current generation it really turns them off and away"
• "encourage and set a Godly example"
• "compassionate teaching, sound exposition, modeling Christian faithfulness, well-reasoned defenses of biblically-based standards to guard us from the world"
• "By trusting us. Well, not us, but the Holy Spirit, the sovereignty of God and the sufficiency of the Scriptures. We have exactly what they have, and we need support, not separation. We need honest and deep advice that will help us form our own positions and beliefs. I believe they can help us in this regard, but we are often dismissed when we do not match their theologies or when we step into"
• "Mentoring"
• "Tell them more about Christ and His ministries here on earth."
• "The older generation can help us by reaching out to young people better. Many of them keep to their own business, and some of them that are active among youth only seem to condemn the activities of youth. Many activities need to be condemned, but it needs to be done after it is shown that the old person has love and wants to see the well-being of the young person"
• "Their knowledge of scripture is wonderful. They can often present us with a balanced view of difficult passages. They also give great encouragement and biblical advise."
• "We can learn from their example of steadfastness and commitment, while taking what we have learned and making it relevant to the world we live in."
• "Teach, Preach and Pray"
• "Tell us more about Christ and His ministries here on earth."
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has standards, but the standards are not couched in legalism. (I find many of my standards tend to be more and more conservative, but my attitude is less and less legalistic--this was taught to me by older men)

- "By training us to take over their ""jobs"" in the ministry"
- "By showing the excellent way."
- "Keep on, keeping on. See areas that really do need to change and with God's help change them."
- "Be faithful to the Scriptures in teaching us. Don't ""cram"" down our throats things that aren't biblical positions but preference. I want to know what THE BIBLE says and why."
- "listen and train"
- "Demonstrate your faith. Share the ""war"" stories. Don't despise me because I don't see your position as clearly as you do. At times, I feel that the position has been taken based on peer influence or who will in agreement with me and then the Scripture is tagged on as an after thought."
- "Mentor us."
- "We need Godly mentors of authentic Christianity in life, family & ministry"
- "prayer, be examples, mentor, and give us opportunity and room to grow."
- "By better articulating separation, both doctrinally and practically. By better handling the KJV issue and not continuing to dogmatize or polemicize concerning it. By allowing our generation to have freedom in our use of various translations."
- "open their minds and hearts to God's doctrine- stop adding rules and regulations to the Bible and salvation that God didn't put there in the first place."
- "Teach us teach us teach us - be understanding that we are different"
- "Live it, not just preach it"
- "Williness to listen"
- "Mentor us, even though we act like we have it all together. It's only an act. Love us without censure. Call sin, sin, but don't be ugly about it."
- "They can give counsel with regards to how they handles the challenges of their generation."
- "I think that older pastors need to actively mentor young men. The older fundamentalists should produce sound literature that clearly explains fundamentalist theology and the Biblical principles behind our standards. Perhaps the ""preacher boys"" are being taught these principles, but as a female church member, I do not feel like I am learning as much about these ""sticky"" issues as I could."
- "Warn us of dangers that we cannot foresee without insisting on outmoded practices."
- "Sharing their years of wisdom gained by their years in the word, their mistakes, and their insight."
- "By being an example, and staying strong in the faith on the Word of God. Not by being too close-minded toward change, but by being Christ-like."
- "mentoring, especially the art of patience while waiting for God to effec change"
- "Stay strong -- don't compromise"
- "be kind, listen, explain what they have been through and how things are different or the same in culture as to when they were younger"
- "give us wisdom in separation issues and discernment use while in the ministry"
- "Live holy lives. Teach us not by word but by action. Be faithful, honest, and real. Don't live in the fear of man or any movement. Teach us what it is to live a life sold out to Christ."
- "By being good role models and raising up a generation of dedicated, hard working Christians"
- "Come alongside young families. Teach them how to raise godly children. Be involved in their everyday lives. Share wisdom with us. Stop segregating themselves from the rest of society. Be in our lives."
- "By being an open example and offer advice and leadership."
- "by being a good example"
- "Counsel and wisdom as it speaks of in Titus 2."
- "The older generation can set the example, by not sitting back and expecting others to do the work for them, but to get actively involved in church ministries and evangelistic opportunities, and
encourage others to do so as well, but through their actions as well as their words. Anyone can talk about great ideas, but so few are able or even willing to act on them."

- "By taking a genuine interest in mentoring us. My best friend is a 70 year old single lady missionary in West Africa."
- "Be involved in our lives, and model before us what it means to be fully committed to Jesus in every area of life."
- "Teach and guide us. Become motivated to bestow as much as they can upon us."
- "by guiding me along the right path in life."
- "More open conversation"
- "They can't. They are the ones who have submerged us in mediocrity, cliche, mindless belief, and depraved tastes."
- "By seeing their perseverance and being encouraged to continue in the faith."
- "pass along Biblical principles, standards, and truths"
- "They can listen. They can give us room to work out our own beliefs without judging us."
- "Listen and not be all "'old school'' about everything. Times change. Let us change too. Allow us to wear pants. Skirts make us distinct, but it's not always in a good way. When it's 0 degrees outside, what kind of testimony is that to see 300+ girls were skirts and freezing their legs? Things like that, allow room for change. Also allow for changes in Bible interp. Just becuase the KJV is all that w"
- "By being the example."
- "Give advice to those who are struggling...not preaching applications that may have been relavent in the past but encouraging the younger generation to discover for themselves the principles found in God's Word and from those principles making the younger generation make application for their present situation."
- "By being a mentor to us"
- "Teach us"
- "They can offer guidance, wisdom, and encouragement."
- "teach us not beat us over the head with everything. Tell us why instead of how (backround info)"
- "One-on-one Discipleship. So many teens don't know how to study their Bible's and plan and execute an effective prayer life."
- "We can look to the older gen. for advice, both gen.s can work together to become stronger."
- "by teaching us how to be steadfast in the faith, to live a life that is based on biblical standards and not on cultural fads."
- "Cross-grenerational fellowship within the church is important for spiritual growth."
- "Lay aside the pettinesses that are attributed to fundamentalism."
- "articulating the lessons that they have learned"
- "guide us and keep instilling in us good morals"
- "They have been through so much more than we have been and much wisdom they can share."
- "Ther are not many in the fundamental movement that I respect, to be honest. My pastor is one of the exceptions. He is a godly, scholarly man, who exegetes the Word of God."
- "by showing the younger generations that the mistakes they made are being made again, and that the outcome will be the same"
- "Attack relativism"
- "Encouraging us and teaching us by their examples to love our God! To know Him and adore Him, to walk with Him daily... moment by moment. To live real, passionate lives for God."
- "Quit seeing us as aliens just because we do not hold to their traditions. We want to preach the Bible and know God, not follow man-made rules."
- "Show us how to be men."
- "Many ways. They already have."
- "teaching the most important parts of Christianity, especially what God has done in the past"
- "Never Die"
- "By sharing their wisdom with us--more than just spiritual wisdom."
- "The older generation needs to teach us how to be soul winners and how to take a stand when persecution arises. The older Christians seem to be failing in the area of discipleship."
"Teach us our history and why we believe what we believe."

"not sure"

"listen to the problems, and not just "dole out" generic advice."

"One to One Discipleship, Openness & honesty. Forget the "movement" & focus on Christ"

"Actively disciple. Listen thoughtfully to questions, and answer thoughtfully. No need to be perfect. No need even to agree on everything. Understand that philosophical differences are not personal attacks or "disloyalty to the party." Be proactive in sending out the next generation of missionaries and pastors."

"The older generation understood the call and commission of God. While they ignored the proper training for their endeavors, they were unafraid to do the work set before them, and did it with all of their might. Their experience will give us a reference by which we can avoid pitfalls and yet build where they stopped short."

"teaching and encouraging"

"The older generation can offer great wisdom. I believe that the older generation needs to take responsibility for the past (how we got where we are), and explain the past to the young generation. I think they need to gear up again -- the battle isn't over!"

"they can stop being concerned about movements and be more concerned about being biblical"

"Come to their sense, get off their hobby horses and guide us in discernment"

"Help disciple us. Take us under your wing. Give us warnings of what they see. Share their experiences. Encourage us."

"Encourage and pray for/with us"

"Teach us to do the above."

"disciple"

"teach but be open"

"Remind the newer generations of the battles fought for Scripture"

"Patiently encourage to focus on the absolute authority of Scripture and be an encouragement to the desires to know God, but help them have a right focus on how to grow. Be patient"

"Stop focusing on standards, even though they are important, and focus on a relationship with God."

"They can be mentors. They can look at a young person and see potential and not just a punk who listens to rock music and likes to go to the movies."

"teach us how to handle the everyday problems that will arise in our ministries and create an atmosphere that people want to see God in the layit"y"

"They can counsel us since they have experienced more. They have a knowledge of the world that we can learn from, and they have fought battles that have paved the way for our growth. at the same time they have also allowed obstacles to be built that we must now attempt to tear down."

"Pray. Also be more open minded to non-essentials that have become essentials. Both generations are at extremes. We need Biblical balance."

"praying with us and trying to mentor us more"

"by pointing us to the bible and giving their wisdom as the bible teaches them to"

"by listening with an open mind."

"Understand that, right or wrong, good or bad, we have a definite postmodern mindset. Please realize that things change and our postmodern mindset isn't synonymous with ""wordly"" or ""apostasy"" any more than your modernist, objectivist mindset is synonymous with ""wordly"" or ""apostasy."" If you insist on keeping everything exactly as it was when you were in your 20s or 30s, then it will be much harder"

"By not being issue oriented, but rather, making Christ their love and unity, and in so doing, giving us an example to follow."

"Allow us to speak without rebuking/rebuffing our differences. Provide leadership without law."

"by gently offering counsel, and then trusting the Spirit to work in the body of Christ, and not cling to extreme positions on secondary doctrines and issues, or return to yesterday's battles, when huge but different issues danger the church today"

"They can mentor younger couples & families"

"Encourage with Godly wisdom and pray without ceasing."
"By mentoring us now to work on developing Godly character so that we can make Biblical based decisions later on in life."
"The older generation could help by mentoring in a one-to-one, personal relationship."
"DISCIPLE young Christians"
"Teach us by example how to live for the Lord."
"There seems to be a big gap. I really don't know. Just disciple us. Talk to us. Give us opportunities to get our feet wet. Show us true Christianity."
"I don't know, they don't seem to want to change"
"By holding strong to their faith in Christ and having a passion for lost young people in so much that they would do anything to see them saved."
"Older generations extending themselves to teach the younger generation what is the proper way to live is absolutely invaluable, especially in Christianity. It seems that the last two generations have been self-focused as a society, and this generation has taken the torch and is sprinting for self-satisfaction."
"Give us a godly example with godly advice, and be active in mentoring us for the future."
"Setting an example of living sold out lives for Christ no matter what the circumstances"
"by teaching the fundamentals better."
"By encouraging us to stay the course and tell us their stories so we can learn from their mistakes."
"Show in detail how history, science...backs up what the Bible has said all along and show in detail how all other worldviews fall short of the truth. Stress exalting God, the work of the Holy Spirit and loving God by obeying Him instead of stressing particular standards. Explain the Whys of what we do by connecting the big picture of Scripture instead of just repeating the same old topical messag"n
"Listen to the concerns of the younger generation instead of marginalizing us. We are ""in the trenches"" too."
"Kick us in the butt and tell us to get going, and then show us how."
"They can't"
"Encourage us"
"Admit their mistakes and help us to keep from making them again or swinging to the opposite extreme"
"Teaching us the history of fundamentalism Giving to us a philosophy of ministry Mentoring"n
"yes"
"Mentoring"
"LISTEN, care, teach and give us opportunities for service and support."
"The older generation can help me through prayer and guidance from the preachers they heard such as Billy Sunday and Sam Jones. We must stick to the ""Old Paths""!"
"Demonstrate the joy of frugal living"
"Older folks can help guide us, but we need to be left to find our identity in this culture and times, not the past one. We need to be free to adapt Fundamentalism to our culture, society, and times without compromising the Word of God and the truth which it holds."
"Try not to be unnecessarily divisive. Preach the Word. Preach the reasons for personal standards, but don't preach standards as truth. Remind us of our heritage. (Learning something of the history of fundamentalism has made me appreciate the sacrifices made by the older generation and made me more understanding of their perspective on some issues, even though I don't agree with everything they've"
"I have no idea."
"Keep the fire burning until I get out of Seminary"
"The older generation can continue to lead but they can best help us by listening to ideas brought by the next generation and consider them, debate them in biblical contexts."
"Teach! Take an interest! Take us under your wing! Stop talking about how worldly we are and make a difference!"
"Helping to make opportunities for ministry"
"Mentor, take time, provide accountability for me"
"By continuing the preaching of the gospel of Christ."
• "BEING MENTORS"
  • "1. They can teach us the history so we can learn thereby 2. They can give us insight on many
    issues like marriage, family ect"
  • "By expressing a genuine personal interest in one or two young individuals and training them to
    make wise decisions based on a Biblical worldview."
  • "Understand that I am a fundamentalist, even though I see many problems with the movement."
  • "Let us voice our opinions to you without fear of retaliation (censure or immediate separation).
    We need people to bounce our beliefs off. We ridicule fundamentalism "behind its back"
    because we can't talk to its leaders about the issues without fear being separated from."
  • "open their eyes and hearts"
  • "Not judging us because we are different than they were. Just because I as a woman wear pants,
    does not mean that I am living in sin. Just because I like CCM music, and things with more of a
    beat to it than you prefer, doesn't mean that I am not living for God. These things aren't doctrines,
    they are preferences, but unfortunately the older generations usually don't realize or agree with
    this."
  • "Learn to understand our generation more and be more willing to listen"
  • "Start relational mentoring to a new generation"
  • "Teach us why we believe what we believe instead of just saying, "This is what we believe, now
    believe it!"
  • "They can listen and change. Just because they were born in the 1920's and grew up with a KJV
    (which at the time was maybe the best translation) doesn't mean that that is the only Bible inspired
    by God. Just because I'm still in college doesn't mean that God hasn't given me a brain and the
    ability to think rationally. We have ideas and insight from a different perspective, but that doesn't
    mean it"
  • "Godly men and women who love God and His Word need to TEACH us young people the
    WORD, aside from personal preferences or convictions, and without judgment. The main thing
    they can do for us is to teach us biblical doctrine and be an example to us by encouraging new
    methods of evangelism and edification."
  • "continue to be spiritual leaders, encourage us, and have a genuine concern for our lives"
  • "Reach out and teach us how to raise effective Christ centered families."
  • "Discipleship"
  • "By guiding us with the wisdom they have accumulated."
  • "Education and Discipleship"
  • "By continuing to grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ, by keeping their focus entirely on
    Him and His will, and by making specific efforts to disciple us toward doing the same"
  • "change"
  • "teaching"
  • "Show the importance of life long service to Christ its not just something we do on the weekends
    its something that has to be lived every day of our lives"
  • "By preaching Jesus Christ primarily, rather than on outward fleshly and worldly temptations. By
    preaching doctrine rather than personal convictions."
  • "get educated, stop bickering, engage in meaningful conversation, step aside gracefully"
  • "By standing up for what's right"
  • "Be an example, stand up for what is right"
  • "They have experienced things and weathered storms that we will never understand. By listening
    to them and learning from them, we can be ready for the bumps along our own road."
  • "learn from their mistakes"
  • "discipleship"
  • "By continuing to stand strong. But by also admitting where they have made mistakes and
    working through them with me. Teaching us what they believe and why they have believed it
    based on Scripture and not on associations."
  • "They have perspective and wisdom on life's lessons"
  • "Mentoring."
  • "discipling in doctrine not standards"
"They are the reason I'm serving God today, and I'm sure that those who've influenced my life in the past will continue to counsel, advise and mentor me in the future."

"Mentoring"

"Be examples In word, conversation, charity, spirit, faith, and purity"

"Counsel"

"We need to learn from them. Without the knowledge of them this generation will suffer greatly."

"Preach the truth in love. Not in a watered down way, but in a more merciful, compassionate way. Analogous to Pres. Bush's ""Compassionate Conservatism."" Have a ""Compassionate Fundamentalism."" Example: When preaching from the pulpit, state, ""We need to be examples to our children"" vs. ""You need to be examples to your children."" It makes a big difference. We sound less condescending and more e"

"Mentorship, understanding, encouragement."

"Mentoring"

"Encourage our involvement and accept changes"

"Provide good leadership in the fields of Expository Preaching, example, and mentoring us personally"

"The older generation can help by setting an example and implementing more ways to teach the fundamentalist doctrine to our generation"

"They can help us by discipling us and sharing their experience with struggles of their generation."

"Be supportive and willing to change."

"They need to relate to us better according to the new problems we face in our world today."

"Train and show a willingness to grow alongside me."

"Continue to teach. I and my generation need to learn a lot. We need the wisdom of a multitude of counselors."

"By Mentoring/Bible teaching, and by getting personally involved in accountablility opportunities with younger men to help pass on some of their life experience. By being good examples, being consistent, and by not getting complacent about reaching out to the lost"

"To continue to be followers and examples of Christ."

"Admit their bad examples in preaching and try to make changes. Show the younger generation it is possible."

"be sound boards, listen and spend time with us"

"voice of reason and experience. encouragement."

"Train us in absolutes and that it is okay to stand for something."

"People in the older generation can help by reminding us that we have more resources at our fingertips now for Biblical study than any previous generation has had. There are few reasons for why a Christian should not be able to come to a proper Biblical doctrinal position."

"avoid traps that ensnared them"

"Teach us how to study the Bible. Teach us what God has shown you of Himself and how He has proven Himself faithful over and over. Remind us that Christianity isn't a list of do's and don'ts but we are to please God by choosing to stay far from things which offend his character."

"REPENT"

"maturity"

"Lose the KJV requirement and embrace a conservative modern standard. Emphasize principle over rule. Help in church nurseries and kids' ministries so we can get some good preaching and not cannibalize our time on each other's kids."

"Women can model their proper place in the home, respecting their husbands. They need to disciple as Titus 2 commands."

"Standing firm in their convictions in love"

"Most of all, emphasize trust/relationship with God followed by obedience vs. obedience followed by trust. There will be a lot more real Christians and less shells/look-a-likes. This generation is less duty-bound than our parents because there's no moral status quo in society. Today it's what ever is reasonable to you. Duty lead our parents and reason leads us...don't dispute the ""leader."" Use the"

"By living Christ-like lives themselves and not just talking like it."
• "The older generation helps us to stand firm in our fundamental beliefs by setting an example, as well as teaching us."
• "They can teach us how we should believe."
• "By encouraging young people to consider it."
• "Prayer and guidance."
• "By be an example of a true christian."
• "I can take principles to live by from their personal lives and public ministries."
• "Prayer. Committing what they have learned to us."
• "Lead us to biblical and historical theology and not afraid of views other than our own."
• "Stop its judging, warmongering, and fear of change."
• "Allow us to make our own way without being so critical, we know our culture best."
• "If we will take the time to listen to the older generation and learn from them, we'll gain much wisdom from their experience."
• "Unsure."
• "Get a new perspective on what is important."
• "Be examples, but not be stuck in there was and be willing to compromise on different ideas and methods of worship (obviously, not a liberal extreme), but many older members just don't want to change and this is a new generation."
• "disciple us and help rekindle the fire of what God can do"
• "maintain orthodox doctrine and be examples in lifestyle"
• "Listen and be willing to adjust your attitude on issues. Evaluate them and see if it is a personal preference or if it is truly biblical."
• "Practical advice with a multitude of issues, ranging from spiritual to family, etc."
• "We can learn from their achievements and their mistakes, and can seek to appreciate why they did what they did to impact their generation for Christ. As they learn to adapt to the rapidly changing culture in which we live, they can continue to serve the Lord by helping this generation come of age."
• "Teach us"
• "Continue to encourage unto Godliness."
• "Share history of the battles that they have fought so we may better understand their militant attitude."
• "The older generation can pray for our walk with the Lord to be strong, and our conscience to be clear about God's almighty hand."
• "Teach the Word not the thoughts."
• "Tak a strong stand and teach heart desire and motive as well as outward standards'
• "Support young church planters and missionaries...don't separate from them just because you hold all of your personal applications as biblical truth."
• "Rather than just always arguing about why they are right. I think it would be helpful for them to rationally explain how they came to their viewpoints. I believe they are sincere and want us to follow in their footsteps, but how can we if they do not want to take the time to explain their points to us. I think older generations get frustrated with us because we ask lots of questions. We are an"n
• "It is increasingly difficult to raise Godly, innocent kids in today's society. We need encouragement! Having older Christians take a personal interest in our kids and encouraging them when they show Godly potential or servant's hearts can mean so much to them. Often times, older Christians can be very critical of today's generation, but these kids are facing pressures and temptations that most"
• "The older generations seem to go ""soft"" in their older years and claim that maybe they fought too hard in certain issues during their ministry. This is very harmful speech to a young fundamentalist. I wish men would finish their course."
• "The older generation needs to quit being so legalistic and stubborn. Focus on teaching and knowing the word instead of meeting up to some extra biblical mandate."
• "pray, teach, lead"
• "Share struggles and victories"
"Biblically speaking, the older can teach the younger in the doctrines and practical applications of the Bible, teaching us that we may teach others also, that we might affectively begin to fulfill the Great Commission, one person at a time."

"The older generation can help by standing strong on DOCTRINE, not just certain "'convictions'" that have become tradition among right-wing Fundamentalists."

"Mentor sensitively and tenderly".

"I really don't think the older generation can help us. There are too many differences that have to bridged. We need people from our generation to step up and take lead."

"open up - recognize the tastes of each generation change and flow with that, but the principles of God's WOrd does not."

"stop fighting over non issues"

"Talk about their personal, spiritual struggles and how they overcame them. And also talk about how they know God is real and what the Biblical base is for why they do things they way they do."

"The older generation should be actively discipling young people and take responsibility in leadership."

"Lead by example - Sound exegesis - Being honest about what are preferences vs doctrinal non-negotiables"

"By their vast wisdom & study of Scripture. By reminding us to get our focus off this world & the latest church trends and re-focusing on Christ, and HIS way of doing HIS ministry."

"they can teach them the things that they have learned"

"Refresh their walk with Christ and not retire from serving Him."

"I truly believe that it is partly the cause of our older generation that has ether become complacent with the movement of Fundamentalism, or have turned Tradiional values into Biblical Truth, when in fact it is not. To Answer the question the older generation must go back to the Bible, Evangelism, and the importance of the GOSPEL. Not trivial debated issues :)"

"Reinforce the basics of fundamentalism and quit focusing on the externals. Focus on the principle behind the rules and regulations rather than the "'shall nots.'" Emphasize the heart over the outward appearance. Quit condemning practices that are working, bringing believers to Christ and discipling them, when our own typical churches are dead as door nails."

"They need to be accomodating and encouraging to those who are serious about reforming fundamentalism. If they believe that certain individuals are going too far, they need to discuss this rather than separate over differences."

"Listening to thier words, having the edify, encourage, evangelize (all those E's) They are older, they've been through this, they know what they wished that they had done...listen, and do!"

"Stop judging people and realize even Jesus spent the major part of his time on earth with people they think we should seperate from"

"model sanctification"

"By being an example of perserverance. Not quiting when it gets tough or they get older."

"We can see all the steps that they took to confront sin and their courage in the face of adversity. In a word they were faithful, and I think that my quick and easy generation has no idea of the sacrifice it took and takes to be a true fundamentalist. There is a high price to holiness."

"Give good counsel to the younger generation, and seek to warn us more concerning sin."

"They can provide guidance on mistakes that we can avoid. They can mentor men for the pastoral ministry. They can teach us in our colleges and seminaries."

"Teach us what it was like in the good old days when it wasn't uncool to go to church"

"By giving advice"

"pay attention and don't be so naive. we don't care what you think of movie theatres, music, dress, and a bunch of outward standards, cause we are a different generation, already have our opinion, and we're tired of hearing about it. help us learn how to love God and the rest will fall into place, if those standards are the right ones, knowing God will help us find them on our own."

"Stop making us feel good. Preach based on biblical decisions not feelings and don't worry about how people feel."

"Quit focusing on some of the little things (standards and version debate) and help teach us the doctrines of the Bible"
"Preach Unity!!"

"Stay working in the church until God takes them out of it."

"Stop the fighting over Calvinism, KJV, music, dress, etc."

"Make a verbal commitment to the TEXT above all else and substantiate that verbal commitment with preaching and action that holds closely to the text and refuses to be militant about anything else."

"By not putting too much emphasis on degrees and putting more emphasis on ministry and a deep-rooted relationship with the Saviour. You can also help by teaching that standards are important both Church standards and personal standards. We have allowed the feminist movement to tell us how Christians can dress and how they can act in and out of church and it is time that it stops. The evangelist"

"Continuing to point out the important things."

"Lead us back to the original spirit and unity of early Fundamentalism, even if it means giving up preferences that have been erected over the the last fifty years."

"Explain the reasons for past battles fought so that the younger generations understand why you fought those battles."

"Reach out, don't be afraid to help the teens. TEACH DOCTRINE!"

"Stay by the stuff, continuing to example a faithful steadfast life."

"Being available- they are all hiding out in the Dell Webb communities behind stone walls"

"Speak out!"

"I don't know."

"Quit bickering over non-issues."

"Pary for us, disciple us, encourage us."

"Teach and show how God is relevant to our lives today. Be open-minded and willing to listen to us when we come to you with our struggles and temptations."

"Be mentors in the church where they actively seek out singles and marrieds to mentor"

"Don't give up and start slacking like many do"

"Guidance"

"by encouraging"

"Experience"

"They should get sharp, younger fundamentalists more involved in leadership. They should take the younger under their wings and teach them."

"by providing leadership roles and mentoring."

"Wisdom with an open mind. Love and continual study in the Bible for truth and its application."

"Mentorship. More Paul and Timothy relationships. Begin choosing their successors now and not waiting until they leave and letting the church worry about it."

"By teaching us the fundamentals, doctrine, and especially our responsibilities when discipling others."

"Set the example for real Christianity Give me tools such as resources, counseling helps, and lots of love and mercy"

"Disciple us better"

"Wise advice on what we can do to make right decisions"

"Mentor us."

"Have integrity in their testimony."

"They can impart knowledge to us about some of the things that have happened to them in similar situations"

"Pass along biblical truth, through teaching and discipling, and major on the majors."

"lead by example, show how to witness,properly disciple in a hands on , on the job training way"

"Stay active in ministry in retirement. The Baby Boomers are retiring -- with more time on their hands they out to be able to make an impact -- not just to come down to Florida and ride it out."

"I would like to see more of a hands-on, older teaching the younger, one-on-one teaching."

"Pray, help meet financial pressures, encourage, continuing to Love their God and grow therefore proving that Christianity does work."
"Give Wisdom and Guidance while understanding that times are different."
"Stop worrying about the KJV issue and evangelize and disciple new believers"
"Not changing to be cool or accepted by the younger generation. We know you are not cool even if you try. Stand by the stuff and give Bible principles for everything!"
"I respect those who seem to be leading fundamentalism these days. The men I know in this group love Christ and long to be faithful to His word. But I long for them to help younger fundamentalists develop a sense of proportion about what issues deserve the greatest emphasis. What are the greatest enemies to the fame of Jesus' name in the entire world today? Is it CCM? Is it churches that send students?"
"Testify of God's faithfulness to them. Teach the next generation personal discipline OUT OF A LOVE FOR GOD not out of a fear of man or required rule keeping."
"Thorougly reexamine their own past presumptions and beliefs"
"Spend time with us."
"Reminding us of the importance of the spiritual disciplines - prayer, scripture studying, etc. Helping us stay balanced (even if we don't always see eye to eye) and dedication completely to Christ. Reminding us of the men and women who made many sacrifices to give us the great heritage we have today."
"By being transparently holy."
"In short, recognize that change isn't all bad and that some "modern" things are actually very helpful, such as CCM, etc..."
"They should stop wasting their time separating and spend more time preaching and LIVING the gospel."
"Learn from their experiences"
"Help in the process of sanctification."
"1. Give the people the Word of God in their own tongue, not Elizabethan English. 2. Focus on the ""why's"", not the ""what's"". Why is alcohol worldly? Why is CCM worldly? Why is it wrong to go to movies but okay to go to Blockbuster? 3. Return to expository preaching, book by book, verse by verse. I don't want relevance. The Bible will become relevant of itself if it is preached correctly. 4. Stop..."
"Encourage, Encourage, Encourage, Talk to us about our struggles and concerns. Many keep in the problems they have in there heart and do not know how to deal with them."
"By focusing on the entire body of Christ and putting it first."
"By not making such a big fuss over small issues to the detriment of Christian unity."
"Model a Christlike spirit. Teach the lessons from the 30's and 40's."
"Mentor us and teach us through what they learned through the battles that they faced."
"The older generation could try and let go of traditional views that do not have any Biblical basis as that is almost a stumbling block to the younger generation. Also wish more older people would take the time and choose someone to mentor--take an invested interest in the person--both sides would benefit greatly from this. Everyone is just too busy!!!"
"Help us to do the work. Teach us to be disciplers."
"Love us. Invite us to see your family--given that they're spiritual, of course. Don't judge just because we're saved and look a little different or just because we look different and aren't saved. Be willing to change those things that are not part of doctrine--see the big picture of Christ's love and express that to me through your actions. Talk to me instead of being scared that I'm too different."
"They can encourage us to stand up for Christ and most of all, pray."
"Wisdom and experience"
"Give wise counsel."
"Don't dismiss the younger generation. Understand why they are that way (does mean you agree with them), show them that you are not perfect either, and then jointly work towards becoming more Christlike."
"Setting the example, show what a godly man or woman does in every aspect of their life. The reinstitution of taking younger ones under there wing and discipling."
"Years of wisdom. Although we may differ in areas, I do not abandon all of their thinking. Humility on both sides is key."
"Get off the petty high horses of legalism and minor separation. We don't care what music you listen to, we don't care how you wear your pants. We care about what is real and truthful. Focus on that."

"Understand that tradition is not BIBLE...helpful...but not BIBLE. Be willing to explore greater avenues of ministry. Don't worry so much about what other ""friends"" would think of you if you try something ""neo."" Be willing to listen to new ideas of ministry and not consider us heretics. Live God's Word in your family & in your life."

"Start speaking out, give us a leg to stand on. Be more forcefully involved in politics, boycotting hollywood, etc. Help us gain courage to face the world and speak for Christ. Teach us what we need to know to do battle. Pray for us."

"Be Godly role models and speak out for the Lord."

"PRAY, TEACH, PREACH, and WRITE! Why is it that I have to go to Marsden for Fundamental history? Where is the history that explains the battles and decisions without a biased AGAINST Fundamentalism?"

"They can mentor and train young people to work for Christ. Challenge them about their walk with Christ and teach us to love God."

"strengthen their relationship with God"

"I don't know if the older generation can help b/c they seem to have become passive to things going on in our churches and with their own families today."

"not sure"

"Write more books! Pray"

"By seeking to train us and church congregations in what the Bible honestly says rather than avoiding issues or answering them with little Biblical support."

"By discipling"

"Share their mistakes so that we do not make the same."

"Teach young people the Biblical roles and then lead by example."

"Give us context for their actions and humbly acknowledge the movement's shortcomings, when applicable."

"Be more responsible, be involved and know what their teens are doing"

"I appreciate their faithfulness to the ministry. I also appreciate the ones who ""listen"" to our frustrations with how fundamentalism has handled some issues and have addressed them with integrity. Please just continue to preach the Word and the Word only!"

"By approaching us for discipling opportunities. I have been 'shunned' by older people because I'm young and because my generation is 'reckless' and has different ideas. I think the body of Christ as a whole has a lot to learn from each other if we can get past generational differences and collaborate on how to share Christ with others."

"By setting a good example."

"Be willing to mentor. Be willing to change"

"Advise and admonish while at the same time realize that times are changing and maybe the way they did things in their respective ministries is not the only or best way."

"admit some of its mistakes. let the idea of ""hindsight is 20/20"" be a reality in their lives."

"By being willing to engage in an honest dialogue about yesterday's standards versus today's understanding of truth. Please don't judge us because we are willing to think through whether the timeless principles of God's Word have different applications in our generation than they did in yours."

"encourage, mentor"

"PRAY. Be willing to be flexible."

"As examples-a life of service stands out today like a beacon advice"

"Get out of the ego stage of thinking that just because someone struggles with a sin that you dont means they are worse than you. A homosexual or drunk is no worse...in fact, probably less proud than most pastors standing in our church pulpits today. They need love not condemnation from men. Jesus would have put down the responses and actions of most of todays church leaders because they are done o"
• "They can help us by moving with the times while not compromising, and not holding us to the contentious battles over issues that are not relevant to the gospel or mere speculation about Biblical passages"
• "providing examples"
• "Discipleship, and live a life that passionately pursues the Glory of God!"
• "The older generation I think can help the most by looking out to the people that walk the streets and realize that things have changed. Door to door soul winning is no longer a viable or productive way of leading people to Christ. With so many gated communities and people that work 6 days a week it hard to do door to door ministry. We must change our means of getting the gospel to the people."
• "I believe we should respect them. I think they can remind us that true doctrine is worth fighting for, that history repeats itself, that love should unify fundamentalists of like doctrinal belief, and that the world is getting more depraved."
• "This also will take too long"
• "?????"
• "Teach us Godly principles and how to reach out to the lost, prayer."
• "Their experiences help plot our future. We can learn from the victories and not repeat their failures."
• "Do not condemn, but help in discipleship and do not be afraid of change. Continue to train and PRAY for us."
• "Reach out to the young people"
• "Stop majoring on the minors, roll with the times. Don't give up the fundamentals but also don't create new fundamentals because of a lack of faith and a desire to control everything."
• "Tell of sacrifice and its benefits both seen and unseen."
• "provide a solid Biblical example"
• "By their example."
• "Instruct, encourage, support"
• "Quit arguing over 50 year old issues and start praying, really praying."
• "keep us from repeating their mistakes, strengthen our faith by telling what God has done and is doing"
• "They've seen a lot of things we are seeing now. They know what they did, and we can learn from both what they did and did not do."
• "teach us biblical reasons of why we should believe what we believe. Not just teaching us WHAT we believe, but WHY we should believe it."
• "Teaching us what they have experienced and learned through their years"
• "Set a good example"
• "I can ask them questions. Such as if I have a fear about going door to door on visitation, I can talk to an older person who is or has been involved in that area. I can ask them how they overcame that fear."
• "By example and wisdom"
• "By teaching us the foundation of doctrines and showing examples of how to live and be in ministry."
• "Continue to remind us and teach us why we take the stands that we do and back it up with Scripture."
• "teach by example"
• "Discipleship and Accountability - regardless of whether or not we grew up in Christian schools and Baptist Churches, regardless of our attitudes and regardless of our positions in a ministry."
• "Refocus their priorities to include a departure from non-biblical tradition."
• "Stop being so up tight and critical - stop being so old and closed minded - open up - let God do the work, not your tradition or how you use to do it 50 years ago"
• "Try to transition their mindset into what an "'internet, mp3, cell phone"' generation is like"
• "Much in every way (Prov. 1:4)"
• "Be examples of servanthood. Many feel they have done their duty and no longer serve."
• "We desperately need mentorship. Not a constant statement of the facts, but a personal interaction making these facts relevant to daily life. A loving flexibility to change."
• "The older generation can be loving, stable mentors to the younger generation in actively (one-on-one) providing a role model."
• "By not telling us how to think, but letting us think for ourselves. Get the focus back on the majors and off the minors."
• "Encourage and pray for us as well take leadership"
• "By living consistent lives. By actively discipling and mentoring. By willingness to adopt new methods as long as the message is not compromised."
• "Godly counsel"
• "Be active in mentoring and practical discipleship of all ages."
• "Encourage younger Christians to have faith in God for their needs. Teach classes on faith, money-management and stewardship. Be examples by lifestyle. Give testimonies as to how the Lord has provided and sustained them over the years."
• "Be more receptive and open to new ideas and less stuck in traditions."
• "They must show Christ to my generation. The pulpits must be Christ-centered and the people Spirit-filled."
• "Show us how to love people and reach out to them. Be an example by your actions. And, be patient with us as we try to figure out what we believe."
• "Support and encouragement as we earnestly contend for the faith"
• "Be godly examples"
• "Teaching me the importance of keeping the faith in Jesus Christ. Teaching us to develop, personal convictions. Teaching us to learn and study God's word- praying throughout the whole process. Not to quit but to do all for God's honor and not for self- despite the feelings and circumstances that come our way."
• "speak the truth"
• "acceptance"
• "Demonstrate the joy of the Lord in any and every situation. Give wise counsel. Witness like crazy."
• "By continuing to teach us correct doctrine. A lot of young people now just have their facts mixed up or they are confused."
• "they have more experience in what we are going through"
• "impacting the wisdom that they have gained through the years to us."
• "The older generation keeps the faith of our fathers alive. We continue to sing the old songs of the faith, and blend them with the new praise and worship choruses. The Word of God is sung in these new songs, and the ""touchy, feely"" that CCM is accused of is a misunderstanding of the fact that God is not ""out there!"" He is with us in our midst, and we can reach out to Him. There must be a balance"
• "be an example of edification and evangelism"
• "By communicating their wisdom and experience through books, speaking in services, and talking to young people one-on-one."
• "sharing their experiences learning from their mistakes"
• "Be humble towards us. Be willing to admit your mistakes and the things that maybe you do not excel in. Support us. Don't discourage further education because you are afraid education ruins men going into the ministry. That said the men of our generation need to have a humble and very respectful and gracious spirit towards the older generation"
• "Their fervency for Christ - - thier passion for souls."
• "They have a greater understanding of the Bible and can counsel our generation in that area. However, we must have enough respect for them in order to listen and apply their godly wisdom."
• "There are no older women to teach the younger women, because they are all at work. They can help us by returning home and teaching us, as Paul commanded in Titus 2. The older men need to take care to teach us doctrine."
• "by imparting their wisdom and experience and clearly teaching right from wrong"
• "Teach me everything they know! Pray for me! Be willing to give a listening ear and time to my struggles."

• "Just by our generation having an open ear to the elders in the church."

• "Imparting to me the lessons they have learned about life, Christ, and the bible. There is great wisdom and experience to be mined in elderly believers."

• "it's too late, kids don't listen anymore to adults. I guess, reach them when they are really really young and don't let go"

• "By humbly listening, trying to understand the differences of our generation, and being absolutely committed to Scripture alone for all teaching on faith and practice."

• "pray and faithfully teach the Word not agenda"

• "Defining what they are doing by the Bible. Teach me what are Bible absolutes"

• "By forsaking their tenacious bent toward outward conformity to traditions at the expense of inward transformation. By the pastor taking seriously the charge to equip the saints and not just the deacons of his congregation. By showing us, the young men in your care, what following Christ looks like in church, family and vocation, rather than following dogma, tradition, or Baptist distinctives."

• "By teaching the truth in genuaine love and explaining the reasons behind their rules. Why do we do what we do."

• "To leave their "'clic's'" and embrace younger Fund. Too often when you go to conferences the older "'Dr's'" and leaders do not reach out to the younger. They never come up and introduce themselves to younger Fund. I believe that this generation can be discipled by the older. But before discipleship can happen, there must be friendship!"

• "Spiritual counsel, telling us where we have been and how we got here, allowing us to change non-biblical approaches to ministry"

• "Experience"

• "Teaching us where they failed and where they succeeded"

• "Through support and counsel. Not berating and alienating us for differing stands on peripheral or debatable issues."

• "They have gleaned much wisdom over the years and have studied God's Word and walked with Him for a long time. we would do well to learn from them."

• "Share what works the Lord has done in their lives. Remind us of what is truly important"

• "Realize that we have legitimate concerns. That we care about the Bible much more than we care about preserving fundamentalist traditions and institutions and join us in getting back to a passion for God and honest Bible study. They need to let go of their obsession with non-essetials."

• "Get back to the teaching of the Scriptures, and stop worrying about what your brother in Christ is doing!!"

• "TEACH US!!!!!!!!!"

• "The older generation is always helpful in providing counsel. I still think that one needs to be selective in who they get counsel from because the older generation at times is still living in the culture that they were in the prime during."

• "Show a daily example of living the Christin life through having a daily time in God's Word and in prayer for the younger generation."

• "give us wisdom about how to raise good families"

• "Wise counsel, remind us how to hold the line and why it is important"

• "Be passionately in love with Christ not just passionately against pet issues. Lead & encourage us by example not just words."

• "Believe in us! Encourage us! Teach us how to be LEADERS! Do not disparage our generation but instead prepare the way for it! Be ready to pass on the mantle of leadership at the proper time, not cling to it in mistrust of us."

• "listen to us"

• "Following Christ and encouraging the youth to do the same."

• "To teach us"

• "Realize that some standards are personal rules, not biblical fixtures. Distill their standards into what is biblical, not just personal preference. and to preach the why behind the standards."
• "Instruction, Edification"
• "I think a lot has to do with mentoring. Putting into practice I Timothy 2 principle mentoring the young. Also instilling values and making sure they are living them through when young. Tell them why we believe we do and the causes behind why we don't do it that way."
• "Encourage us and work with us. Don't look down on the rising preachers. Teach us where you lacked when you were in our position."
• "Train us!"
• "Not much"
• "Spending time with us, answering questions, sharing lessons learned, encouraging us in service, and praying for us"
• "The insight of years, and the spiritual and intellectual honesty to acknowledge the arenas within fundamentalism that have suffered from traditionalism, and reactionism rather than response based on Biblical foundation."
• "Learn to accept change in cultures."
• "through love, prayer, encouragement and wise advice"
• "Train us to understand both the what and why of Christianity so we avoid compromise and apathy. There seems to be a good emphasis on ""what"" now, but too little emphasis on ""why."" Without the ""why"" there is no reason to insist on the ""what."" This involves training in theological and apologetic principles, as well as theologic and apologetic methods, so that we can face the different challenges o"
• "Listen to our ideas and work together to find Biblical balance in order to help our churches."
• "Step Back And Relax"
• "Not much to be honest. Possibly with doctrinal and theological issues."
• "model progressive sanctification"
• "By leaving a true legacy of Christ. Not textbooks, academics, and knowledge, but a legacy of faith passed down from generation to generation to those who have the faith given to them by God."
• "By passing on all they have learned to the teenagers and spending as much time with them as possible."
• "By providing an example of the believer free of personal angst and by clearly defining personal opinion for what it is."
• "?"
• "By displaying Biblical holiness in their personal lives- Exemplifying servant leadership in their relationships- loving God with all their heart, soul, strength and mind"
• "Show us what is important to fight for and what to not worry about"
• "Be strong examples and teachers of the Bible"
• "Mentoring"
• "The older generation can help by realizing and reinforcing those “stands” are biblical doctrine, and being willing to relinquish those standards that were culturally advisable in another day, as part of a Christian testimony. We need the older generation to keep us doctrinally sound, but when they begin adding to Scripture, they lose their effectiveness in our lives, as we find their preaching t"
• "Praying"
• "Teach/preach the Word honestly and expositionally. Don't demand adherence to unnecessary traditions."
• "Teach us how to live Godly lives by Biblical principles, and be a good example to us."
• "mostly through example, but counseling is helpful"
• "Emphasize knowing and loving God, and carefully interpreting and applying Scripture. I am saddened when I see that some fundamental pastors are more passionate about fundamentalism than they are about God Himself. Be honest about the weaknesses in fundamentalism. Express your concern with the deadness of worship services. Be willing to try some new things (powerpoint presentations, etc) instead of"
• "They have much wisdom but we can also learn from their mistakes."
• "Stress the importance of knowing God, not just mastering the externals."
• "Help us to see which issues are really addressed in the Bible, and admit which issues are based on tradition. Show us honestly where they got their ideas about theater attendance, pants on women, "'evilness'" of music using drums, etc."

• "They can disciple me and give access to the vast wisdom that they have gained. They can have a love for the Lord that is evident in their life and encourage me to love the Lord."

• "Teach doctrine with patience and also realize that if we are studying and reaching conclusions based on the Bible, that they need to let go and allow the Holy Spirit to guide in the Bible's interpretation, not get upset because we aren't following in the exact church tradition. We can't learn from them if all they do is attack us and rail on our differences."

• "Allow us to learn and grow and explore different approaches to ministry. Lead by example. Focus on right doctrine."

• "mentoring and sharing their lives and experiences with us. - don't ignore us, but seek to minister to us as we minister to you."

• "1. Get off the hobby horses of their generation and start addressing the needs of our generation. The majority of young people today aren't interested in hearing stories about knocking on doors back in the 40's and 50's. They want to know what the Gospel can do for them now in their lifetime. 2. Young people don't understand the purposes of separation, so please stop preaching separation an"

• "By not fearing our desire to try new things."

• "disciple personally deal with theological issues graciously"

• "Encouragement/Make disciples of the younger children. Teens lack doctrine."

• "By being examples of Christ themselves. That means that they first must know the Lord intimately themselves."

• "They have much wisdom from years of experience. Each generation battles different things, but all generations need to know how to get hold of God for help in having victory in the current battle. I believe it's important to glean what I can from those who've gone before and proved God to be faithful in bringing the victory."

• "Teach us appreciation. We take too much for granted."

• "Teach us how they made Christ an integral part of every single day."

• "Major on the majors"

• "The older generation has been and continues to be a great example of standing on the fundamentals. They can be a great help by teaching and exemplifying a proper spirit in standing for righteousness."

• "by giving us a godly example of how to LOVINGLY deal with apostacy and worldliness"

• "By being learners... not necessarily from us, but having the spirit of learning, adapting, humility."

• "Sharing what they have seen over their years in fundamentalism"

• "Teach us the stedfast commitment to the Faith, doctrine, and other believers. Also, I believe the reason why we are losing our young people is, in part, due to the parents lack of joy, lack of authenticity and transparency, and lack of consistency. We need passionate parents, pastors, teachers, and examples for us to follow. Overall, the older generation has lost the joy of their salvation."

• "I am inspired by TRUE examples of Bible-centered, Christ-centered ""senior saints"". I believe they offer much encouragement, as well as a clear testament of what Fundamentalism was originally trying to accomplish."

• "be an encouragement to study the Word."

• "Pass on Godly wisdom."

• "Preach the Word of God as fact on every issue (science, history, etc). Why? Because it is."

• "both older and younger generations need to be more respectful of the other. We ought to be known for our unity."

• "encouragement, accountability and freedom to ask questions, mentoring."

• "By mentoring us and passing down the biblical values that used to be common in the Fundamentalist movement. Also, by encouraging a work ethic and a commitment to the proper training of our families rather than letting Hollywood and the mass media give our kids the values that they will embrace for their lives."
• "Disciple young believers"
• "Instead of retiring, help plant churches or go to the mission field if able. Teach in Christian schools and seminaries. Tell us what has worked and what ideas were mistakes."
• "Pray."
• "Pray."
• "Wake up! Realize that change is not the enemy, but that stagnation is. The Gospel is always relevant, but we need to be sure that the "good old days" are not made to seem like the only way of worshiping and evangelizing."
• "encourage, instruct, guide"
• "Be willing to look at today's and the future's needs biblically and not traditionally"
• "To individually confront those they see straying from the Word and into the world"
• "Teach by example."
Appendix H
Question 101

What is your biggest vice?

- "binge-eating"
- "lust"
- "sin"
- "I feel guilty about sexual fantasies about the opposite sex."
- "My sin and my lack of hatred for it"
- "pride"
- "nothing"
- "thought life"
- "My mouth—not edifying, tearing down people, lying. Of course self-centeredness is the root of this."
- "I am not currently dealing with feelings of guilt"
- "Not having accomplished more for the Lord with the time I've been given."
- "Pride"
- "Poor money management"
- "Pride"
- "inactivity in general"
- "personal failure about becoming successful"
- "Vainness"
- "impatience"
- "pride and fear"
- "lust and self-dependence and loss of focus on the eternal"
- "loving myself"
- "Pride, speaking before thinking. Anger"
- "mental purity"
- "procrastination"
- "thinking about the opposite sex in different ways"
- "vulnerability"
- "pornography"
- "Thought life (sexuality and discouragement)."
- "not living for God in my High School years"
- "laziness/sleeping whenever I am tired"
- "lust"
- "Watching too much television and movies"
- "I have struggled with some depression in High school and college sometimes. I have always had to pray about guys so that I would not think lustfully."
- "?
- "I am not sure what vice means, sorry:)"
- "being motivated, being consistent"
- "Immoral thinking."
- "masturbation"
- "Honesty with myself and God about sin"
- "not using time effectively and devoting time to prayer"
- "masturbation"
- "thought life"
- "Immoral thoughts"
- "My thought life as a male, and my past history of pornography"
- "unsure"
• "Fear"
• "not sure"
• "Pornography"
• "lust after the opposite sex"
• "Pornography"
• "selfishness"
• "lack of love, dishonesty, gluttony, selfishness, i have lots"
• "Speech or pride"
• "When I think badly."
• "Masturbation"
• "My anger or annoyance"
• "Worry"
• "Thought Life"
• "Thoughts sometimes get the best of me."
• "Sarcastically cutting people down"
• "My thought life. Past porn problems."
• "Probably looking like ""the world"" -- having the right clothes, right body, etc."
• "losing my temper"
• "laziness"
• "food"
• "I would have to say that my thought life - not just thoughts of , but thoughts of discouragement and a desire to find the easy way out of something."
• "Loving myself more than others"
• "Not keeping my thoughts in captivity to Chrsit"
• "Attitude"
• "talking too much"
• "In highschool and college it was masturbation (except for highschool it was without pornography) Presently, being lazy is an honest struggle, getting out of bed in the morning is the hardest decision I make all day."
• "Food and fantasy."
• "Lust"
• "Selfishness"
• "Impure thoughts"
• "thought life"
• "Pride"
• "Negative attitude"
• "Selfishness That is the root of all my petty, sinful thoughts and actions."
• "My biggest struggle is responding properly to others with a right attitude."
• "Fear of man. Fear of Failure. Pride. Selfishness"
• "worry/gossip"
• "thought life, managing my time"
• "doing things I don't like doing"
• "dnt start!!!"
• "100 - so long as gossip, pride, lust, sin, murder are all on the same scale."
• "Not sharing the Gospel."
• "lust, covetousness"
• "heart to God"
• "Pride By the way, that last question. Define sin. Do you mean occasional over-eating or are you refering to excessive drinking or maybe a sharp tongue that needs continual prayer or . . . ? It's kind of hard to answer, don't you know."
• "Lying"
• "Thought life"
• "too busy for God"
• "pride"
• "Pride"
• "selfishness"
• "People"
• "premature desires concerning relationships"
• "Wasting time"
• "victory only comes from god's strength, read the bible, get away from associations with sin, turn away, put safeguards up."
• "Pride"
• "pride"
• "thoughts"
• "laziness"
• "Stop my mind from thinking the wrong thought and think the right thought instead. Sometimes I don't want to stop thinking the wrong thing, but I know I need to."
• "Thought life"
• "not giving in"
• "Thought Life, Self Centerdness"
• "Wanting attention and doing too much for it."
• "thought life"
• "Music."
• "It is a tie between impure thoughts and negative speech toward others."
• "overeating"
• "thought life"
• "Thought life. I continually must reject thoughts that come up from the past. It sickens me sometimes how full that garbage can gets."
• "the tongue"
• "Busyness is a curse."
• "masturbation"
• "bad movies"
• "laziness"
• "thought life."
• "meekness, fear of man"
• "Self Control. Sometimes, It is hard for me to make myself do something I don't feel like doing."
• "TV, internet"
• "consistency in walk and talk"
• "When people are not willing to recieve help, and they know they need it."
• "food"
• "Tyring to control circumstances, and trusting in myself, and my own abilities."
• "Self pleasuring ie. masturbation"
• "Thought life."
• "Television"
• "i am unsure of what vice means but if it means temptation then that would be movies."
• "masturbation"
• "dirty thoughts"
• "Prayer and devotions"
• "Selfishness"
• "thought life"
• "My tongue"
• "masturbation"
• "fantasy"
• "Temper"
• "Thought life"
• "Leadership"
• "Time management and giving every moment of the day to the Lord. Not choosing the right priorities. Letting people have a place in my heart before God. The fear of man."
• "masturbation"
• "Laziness"
• "Loneliness and the constant desire for sexual companionship"
• "remaining pure with my girlfreind"
• "Selfishness."
• "Putting other things before God-preoccupied w/other things"
• "My thought life. Too many times I entertain the thoughts instead of turning them off."
• "sexual temptations/sin"
• "I'm not sure."
• "Lust"
• "pride"
• "masterbation"
• "saying things that are unedifying."
• "Lack of time management. Procrastination"
• "Wanting to control my life's path, making plans before God would like me to. I tend to wanna to be in control"
• "I struggle with negelcting to set aside personal time for God in daily prayer and devotions."
• "pride"
• "gossip"
• "tongue---------pride---------thoughtlife"
• "i really dont know"
• "pride"
• "Impatience turning to anger sometimes"
• "Sexual thoughts"
• "Television"
• "Becoming disciplined enough to do consistent prayer and devotions, discipline enough to be a leader."
• "I struggle with my thought life. I want so much for it to honor God that anything that may just cross my mind is offensive. I don't even want things to even be in my mind."
• "jealousy"
• "Masturbation"
• "Thought live"
• "thought life & masturbation"
• "depression/discouragement"
• "Pornography"
• "thinking of past experiences (opposite sex) Gossip"
• "Deception. Either verbally lying, or altering facts to fit my purposes. It is out of fear of making myself appear in a poor light or to avoid being embaressed. It has certainly become a very bad habit that is difficult to break."
• "Selfishness"
• "Inappropriate Thoughts about members of the opposite sex. Sexual desire."
• "excessive talking"
• "lusting after beautiful girls"
• "thought life"
• "Thought life"
• "thoughts"
• "laziness"
• "masturbation"
• "Pornography"
• "masturbation"
• "selfishness"
• "masterbation"
• "masturbation"
• "Pride"
• "temptaion"
• "What I see with my eyes, my frustration and temper."
• "Being too comfortable and too scared to witness."
• "selfishness"
• "porn"
• "Eating"
• "Moral purity in thought life"
• "selfishness, not loving Christ as I ought."
• "not sure"
• "Lustful thoughts, fantasizing"
• "Allowing my dependance upon God to wane as life becomes easier."
• "pride"
• "Wanting to share in the benefits of marriage but not being married"
• "Wrong thoughts regarding women"
• "TV"
• "My pride. (I answered earlier about wether there was a sin that I haven't gotten victory over or something like that, and this is what I meant. this also qualifies Q100)"
• "food"
• "Pride."
• "music"
• "time management"
• "food"
• "sexual thoughts, pride"
• "Pornography"
• "Pride"
• "inappropriate books and internet (just can't bring myself to say it straight out)"
• "pride"
• "Overeating"
• "Lust."
• "Using my time wisely"
• "selfishness ... it just crops up everywhere"
• "Quick temper"
• "sports on tv thoughts"
• "imporper thoughts"
• "I do not care to share this information in such a informal way such as a survey. Please respect my wishes."
• "my eyes and thoughts"
• "lust & masturbation"
• "Secularism--going through my day not thinking of Christ, but only the things of the day, based mainly on my lack in the Word"
• "thought life"
• "Probably the thought life."
• "Time management, that is balancing my social life with my academics"
• "choosing the good over the best, comparing myself to other Christians and settling for less than God's best for me as an individual"
• "Impure sexual thoughts"
• "Laziness"
• "Im not sure"
• "Arrangement"
• "Pride—it is the root of all other sins. Next is vanity. Next is envy. Next is maliciousness. Next is ingratitude. The list could go on, but I really can't think of anybody who would like to read it."
• "Sexual lust"
• "not kissing my girlfriend"
• "Lust for women"
• "Thoughts"
• "MUSIC!!"
• "Pride"
• "thoughts"
• "Sexual lust."
• "lust"
• "temper"
• "My biggest vice is simply not loving and respecting the LORD like I should. I become selfish and begin to focus on what I want/what's pleasurable to me and my partner physically and emotionally."
• "I continue to have sexual thoughts because of my viewing of pornography in the past. I only dwell on them for a few seconds before I get convicted of it and ask the Lord to clean my mind. I just wish that these thoughts would not come to my mind anymore, but they do almost daily."
• "Anger"
• "Thought life."
• "Thought life."
• "thought life."
• "Thought life."
• "don't know - I got em! not one thing that just jumps out! At times I am selfish, lack initiative, proud, etc..."
• "lust after woman"
• "Laziness"
• "I love to read, not immoral books, but not necessarily the best use of my time. Sometimes it becomes an obsession, and I know I am not giving God the supremacy He deserves in my life."
• "thought life"
• "I'm proud"
• "Pride"
• "masturbation, but gaining consistent daily victory"
• "Idolatry"
• "thoughts"
• "Not being consistent in the faith"
• "Procrastination."
• "I struggle to do my devotions. I am not a good prayer warrior, and I do not do my devotions as in depth as I should."
• "pride"
• "My biggest vice is myself. When I do not live like I am forgiven."
• "Pride"
• "procrastination pornography"
• "Letting frustration turn into unbiblical anger."
• "A very selfish way of life (thoughts and actions)"
• "tv"
• "honesty"
• "Pride!"
• "pride"
• “Lying”
• “thoughts”
• “Lust”
• “My biggest vice is probably slothfulness.”
• “masturbation”
• “Porn”
• “thoughts”
• “Lack of self discipline in the mind and actions”
• “Swearing”
• “women”
• “Thought life, temptations from the opposite sex, and dwelling on the thoughts of previous sins.”
• “Thought life”
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• “Sexual Temptation”
• “self-centered pride”
• “Sex”
• “Sadness/depression, too controlling”
• “laziness”
• “anger”
• “pride”
• “Maintaining purity in the sexual arena.”
• “Treating my family with unconditional love”
• “lustful thoughts”
• “tempter, thought life”
• “thought life”
• “Thoughts that I might not be saved”
• “not believing God.”
• “being too blunt”
• “Thought life - I always keep short sin accounts, but it is difficult”
• “TV sit-coms”
• “Video Games”
• “sexual lust”
• “selfishness”
• “masterbation”
• “a lack of self-discipline”
• “Shopping”
• “The memory of doing ecstasy. It is a constant thought in my mind at times. It is getting better through praying to the Lord to take away the memory of those things.”
• “bad thoughts”
• “Spending money on non-necessary things.”
• “Pride”
• “Sexuality”
• “my eyes”
• “dishonesty”
• “Diet Coke”
• “lusting over attractive women in my heart and mind”
• “Laziness concerning my prayer life.”
• “UNSURE”
• “concerning Q100, the victory was hard but i am on the upswing due to counseling pornography/masterbation”
• “probably a spiritual pride and intellectual arrogance.”
• "Purity of mind, sexual fantasies."
• "Lack of discipline"
• "loving others"
• "My temper"
• "I don't know what a vice is."
• "Procrastination and putting things in priorities"
• "I have trouble praying regularly and I have trouble with submission."
• "My thoughts. I struggle to contain my thoughts and not let them run wild... I am easily distracted by the "little" things that tempt me to worry or whatnot..."
• "Jealousy"
• "food"
• "food"
• "Time, although Pride is what my life suggested...."
• "Selfishness/prime"
• "time management"
• "inward rebelliousness"
• "Inconsistency"
• "porn temptation"
• "I have trouble sometimes with my thought life. However, it isn't in a sexual vein. It's more along the lines of losing my temper with people."
• "time management"
• "selfishness (appetites)"
• "Thought life. In my past, I have allowed much to come into my mind that was wrong and so I still battle with those thoughts on a regular basis."
• "n/a"
• "Sarcasm."
• "I don't know"
• "Probably TV."
• "Over eating"
• "music"
• "Getting angry or impatient"
• "Wasting time"
• "Impatience"
• "Pride"
• "illegitimate lustfull thoughts"
• "Thought Life"
• "TV and Movies"
• "Rebellion, but mostly pride (which causes the rebellion)."
• "Women working outside the home."
• "having control over my mind and thoughts"
• "thought life"
• "Music"
• "Lustful thoughts, masturbation"
• "lies"
• "laziness"
• "laziness"
• "Pride"
• "Telling the whole truth all the time"
• "rational thinking/reason"
• "Self-focus"
• "Music"
• "Lack of faith of what God can do."
• "laziness"
• "Thoughts"
• "impure thoughts"
• "not prioritizing God"
• "unbelief"
• "TV"
• "Currently I am engaged to be married in two months, so resisting sexual temptation."
• "pride"
• "Time management and putting myself in bad situations"
• "pride"
• "Time management/procrastination"
• "eating"
• "The internet can be considered this for me."
• "Pride"
• "I have a problem with my TV watching. I have trouble turning away from women that are dressed inappropriately."
• "eating"
• "wasting time - putting a lot of time into unimportant pursuits"
• "Cynicism toward those who are moralistic"
• "self-promotion"
• "Trying to escape a sometimes routine reality with romantic daydreaming--not sexual just more exciting than the reality."
• "Temper, Gluttony"
• "watching to many movies"
• "lust"
• "gluttany"
• "My need for companionship."
• "self-indulgence"
• "Though life"
• "lust"
• "tv"
• "laziness, not doing or spending time doing the things I know are most important."
• "Dwelling on sexually provocative pictures and dress in my mind rather than on pure and right things."
• "laziness"
• "Pride"
• "None I believe in Hebrews 12:1"
• "My temper. Sometimes it comes out of nowhere."
• "laziness/procrastination"
• "acting out of anger or frustration...its how I was raised and every time a struggle happens I tend to go that way until I think and then stop. It takes me a few minutes, but some days (especially around that time of the month) it gets the better of me. I've gotten better over the years, but I've been struggling with it for 10+ years. Its not defeated, but in the process."
• "food"
• "porn"
• "Probably the mind numbing effects of TV"
• "s?"
• "Thought life."
• "friends"
• "Porn"
• "Procastination."
• "Impure thoughts"
• "Movies"
• "sexual impurity (pornography and masturbation)"
• "I guess anger although it is not that often."
• "anything fleshly (eating, sexual thoughts)"
• "Anger (responses, thinking)"
• "Television viewing... Some things I know we should not be watching."
• "Thoughts."
• "beauty products"
• "intimacy"
• "Speech. Saying things about people that I shouldn't. Talking too much. Saying things that just don't need to be said. Things of that nature."
• "Gluttony"
• "Concupiscence= Wrong desire"
• "selfishness when is comes to food."
• "thought life"
• "Porn."
• "my mouth"
• "Pride"
• "concupiscence"
• "lust for sex"
• "pleasure"
• "Time Management"
• "Pride"
• "I guess I would have to say movies. I enjoy watching movies, and my enjoyment sometimes gets the better of my discernment."
• "Weariness from burning out."
• "Movies"
• "An uncharitable and critical spirit, being exacting and petty."
• "Shopping!!"
• "Television or internet"
• "Trying to relax with the TV on--much sin on TV"
• "Laziness"
• "Laziness & Procrastination"
• "selfishness"
• "Oversleeping and spending too much time watching movies"
• "TV."
• "Love of ease"
• "Intense selfishness that produces laziness and great lack of discipline"
• "Lust"
• "Coffee"
• "Pride"
• "avoiding people"
• "Thought life"
• "Failure to confront"
• "Indifference (does that count?)"
• "Indifference (does that count?)"
• "discipline of time, lack of personal worship, feeling frustrated at others"
• "Keeping my thinking godly."
• "Keeping my thinking godly."
• "time management"
• "girls"
• "Loneliness--when I am most lonely is when I experience the most difficulty with living my Christian life consistently"
"I hate gay and lesbian stuff"
"Worrying"
"Food"
"Worry"
"Tough to say just one, probably wanting seclusion for myself when I need accountability."
"Laziness"
"Lying"
"Sex, drugs, music"
"Lack of genuine, daily, non-hurried time with the Lord."
"My temper"
"Being too busy—thinking that business makes me "important" overeating"
"Pride"
"Promoting self and selfishness in my family rather than putting their desires, wishes, opinions, and preferences before my own"
"Self-discipline"
"Any area of self-control - just learning to say no to what I want when I want it whether it be spending money, eating, improper or unwise use of my time, etc. Just learning to deny myself to be right or serve others."
"TV"
"My pride and laziness"
"The flesh"
"Media"
"Drinking coffee, but I'm not sure that's actually a vice..."
"Failing to make adequate time to spend in prayer and in God's Word."
"Work to much"
"Lust"
"Laziness"
"Channel surfing"
"Overeating."
"Selfishness"
"Self-discipline"
"My thought life"
"Not praying"
"Impure thoughts of the opposite sex. I have had strides in the right direction over the last year, but it is still a struggle. I would say even greater is the pull of my flesh, and letting my feelings dictate what I do, instead of what I know and count to be true Biblically."
"Computer games/wasting time"
"Over eating"
"Laziness"
"Pride"
"Entertainment"
"Thought life."
"TV"
"Thoughts"
"Not praying"
"Laziness"
"Pride"
"Gossiping"
"Having a world view—too much time with friends, tv, media, etc. Not enough time with God. It effects the way I think, and I know that. It's frustrating to have to retract."
"Wasting money on things that I don't really need"
• “Selfishness, always thinking of myself.”
• “Eating”
• “Replaying in my mind the events that happened between me and a person of the opposite sex. The situation was wrong, which we both knew, but we both enjoyed it. I sometimes think that I'm never going to get victory over this, even though I know that as a Christian all I have to do is claim the victory.”
• “Pride”
• “Video games, but not immoral ones, just sometimes spend too much time”
• “Criticizing others”
• “Anger”
• “Lazy”
• “Pride”
• “Country music”
• “I struggled for a long time with internet pornography. I still try to stay away from the internet as much as possible, and I thank God for the filtering program that we have here at school.”
• “Pride.”
• “Pride”
• “anger”
• “Spiritual apathy”
• “secular, sexually-explicit romance novels”
• “critical and sarcastic”
• “worry”
• “My thought life.”
• “overeating”
• “having to stay busy all the time”
• “Cowardice and worry”
• “thought life”
• “pride”
• “Because of sexual abuse, I am found struggling with homosexual tendencies, but they have only been manifested through masturbation, except for one incident where I was abused within the past few months by someone I did not know. When I was a college student, I was abused by an adult figure in my life.”
• “selfishness”
• “lack of faith”
• “fear of man”
• “chocolate?”
• “My attitude”
• “lazyness”
• “this might seem silly, but I really struggle with exaggerating things. I want to be the funniest or most dramatic, and I find myself making things bigger than they are.”
• “Food”
• “unbelief”
• “Myself - letting GOD have control and not worrying about things. Letting God have priority and set my days before me.”
• “Poker”
• “Pride”
• “Pride is the root of all sin. I am so proud.”
• “food”
• “Lack of Sexual Self-Control (Thought Life & Viewing Habits)”
• “lack of self discipline in laziness”
• “Probaby laziness when it comes to spending time daily in prayer.”
• “God's Word is the answer to all of our problems!”
"materialism, pride"
"pornography and inappropriate fantasies"
"Fear of Man"
"Pride, anger"
"Not enough time with the Lord in Bible reading & study"
"lusting after other women in my heart"
"pride"
"Masterbation"
"lack of discipline in doing the things I know I should, i.e. devotions, prayer, etc."
"Getting over the bitterness of my mother's death and also getting my eyes off my selfish wants and desires and onto God and what he wants not what i desire in theis materialistic world."
"Pride"
"thoughts/failure to love God will all my heart"
"escapism - light reading and movies"
"My thoughts are often negative and selfish"
"Pride"
"smoking"
"thought life"
"My own pride. I refuse to surrender certain areas in my life that God makes evident to me, and I stumble and experience defeat until I finally give in to the Lord in that area."
"Suicidal Ideations"
"Pride"
"laziness"
"materialism"
"Worry"
"laziness"
"Being a Martha (I love to do and serve) rather than being a Mary (I need to love Him and become like Him, sit at His feet adoring Him)"
"emotional sins like worry and anger"
"self-control"
"Selfishness."
"giving time to things that might be good but not the best use of my time."
"Failure to spend time in prayer"
"worry & fear"
"I believe that my biggest vice is my thought life. I feel as if I am growing in that area though. It is a constant struggle for me to keep my thoughts pure. I have experienced recently a certain ammount victory through prayer."
"laziness"
"pride/speech"
"my self - I often find myself taking priority over what I know I should do for God and others."
"being alone... when I'm alone, it feels like there's no one holding me responsible. I NEED someone to hold me accountable!!"
"Food"
"masturbation"
"personal gradification"
"Looking at woman."
"procrastination"
"Self pity"
"Don't really have one."
"thoughts"
"Probably my attitude/lack of respect for my mom"
• “Selfishness”
• “My thought life! Focusing on "not thinking about" emotional attachments rather than focusing on "thinking about" God and His Word."
• "Thought life"
• "Going back on commitments"
• "weight-control"
• "I get too focused on myself and do not seek to meet the needs of others"
• "Internet pornography. Oh, wretched man that I am!"
• "My biggest vice is food (eating). While I am not over weight, I have to watch what I eat because I will over eat. That may sound silly but it is a big problem I have. I don't smoke, drink, or anything like that."
• "lack of discipline"
• "Failing to trust God"
• "Lust after the opposite sex"
• "Poor time management: too much time spent on entertainment (TV)."
• "Lust. Job 31:1 I made a covenant with mine eyes, why then should I think upon a maid?"
• "comparing"
• "Food - lack of self control (although not really overweight)"
• "thought life"
• "Time Management"
• "Improper thoughts towards the opposite sex"
Appendix I
Question 102

What do you feel most guilty about?

- "Selfishness."
- "NOT fearing God like I should."
- "NOT being as strong as a Christian as I should be."
- "NOT giving things to the Lord right away and trying to fix things on my own."
- "Missing my time with God."
- "I'm not guilty about anything. I believe whole heartedly in the forgiveness of Christ's blood. I do however regret many of the decisions I made regarding personal purity in my early teen years."
- "wasted opportunities in my past"
- "Physical involvement with my ex-fiancee..."
- "missed opportunities"
- "viewing porn"
- "Making an unwise decision about who to date."
- "the lies that take place to cover up what i have done"
- "Past failures in thought life."
- "My thought life especially, keeping clean and keeping both hands on the lid of my flesh. Keeping my eyes from looking inappropriately at girls. Having viewed pornography in the past, (am actively fighting that sin habit) it still haunts me today."
- "not saving myself for my future spouse"
- "Being to lazy to do my Devotions everyday"
- "temptation"
- "Gossipping"
- "I know that Jesus forgave all the times I mastrubated and had lustful thoughts as I grew up"
- "Time I spend with the Lord"
- "When I don't honor my parents, when I gossip about someone, my thought life"
- "That I allowed some things into my life throughout my younger teenage years that have affected me now. (reading horoscopes, flirting with the world, going farther with a guy than I wanted to, reading books that were bad)"
- "Immoral thinking. Striving for position."
- "Not always striving to please God. Sometimes I put myself first."
- "Heavy petting"
- "not spending enough time with the Lord"
- "I don't believe that Christians should feel guilty. I believe that when Christ died, He took away my guilt as well as my sin. To feel guilty is to me to just add to your sin load. It seems to almost throw Christ's sacrifice back in His face, saying that it was not enough. When I do feel guilty (cuz I do sin, even in that way) I focus on the fact that that sin is already behind God, and that He"
- "I am convicted over many sins...by God's incredible grace, through Jesus Christ, I stand faultless before Him"
- "Not spending my time more wisely."
- "Not stopping when I should have"
- "struggling with purity as an unmarried college student"
- "Not witnessing to a relative who died."
- "i don't feel over whelmingly guilty b/c i've taked care of my mistakes"
- "Not surrendering as much of my life as I need to. I want to but I have struggled with worldliness. I was not saved until I was 23 and I am now 32. Before I was saved I lived a wicked life style."
• “My lack of interest in spiritual things/my thought life"
• “The fact that I when I do it, I know its wrong but I choose to do it anyways. Then I feel extremely guilty and confess it.”
• "not being a virgin"
• "amount of time spent with family"
• "dishonesty and lack of love"
• "Any desire for another woman other than my wife. Even if I just find another woman attractive I feel guilt."
• "Not doing enough evagilism"
• "I don’t have a main regret"
• "Masturbating"
• "Not putting other people before myself."
• "not giving enough time to God"
• "Thought Life"
• "Poor choices in my past that have caused current thought struggles"
• "Not spending the time in God’s Word and in prayer that I need to"
• "Purity issues"
• "I have been forgiven. I don’t."
• "Not honoring the Lord Jesus as He deserves, which takes many forms."
• "lack of effective evangelism"
• "laziness"
• "having sex"
• "not loving my wife as Christ loved the church. And any sin obviously"
• "Thinking ful thoughts and the amount of time I spend in the Word"
• "sin"
• "my sexual desires"
• "Viewing porn"
• "the one time that i engaged in "heavy petting"
• "Weakness in my intercession (prayer) for others."
• "Not caring enough about souls in my family and social circles to actively witness to and pray for them."
• "Not being the kind of wife I was taught I was supposed to be"
• "My lack of love/dependence towards Christ."
• "nothing really."
• "Lust"
• "Knowing that I do wrong, yet not really caring."
• "Not being the kind of wife I was taught I was supposed to be"
• "sin, and failures to always be available for my wife"
• "When I am hypocritical"
• "Past sins."
• "i don’t know"
• "not doing what I should do"
• "mental battles"
• "what i was taught growing up and decisions that were not motivated by God's glory"
• "Wasting time, not thinking about the Lord enough during the day"
• "Having a child out of wedlock."
• "previous sins"
• "Past sins which I cannot forget, but wish to."
• "None of your business."
• "Whenever I lie"
• "My lack of affection for God and His Word at times. My lack of evangelitic fervor"
• "lack of personal devotions and prayer"
• "my pride, my thoughts"
• "I am overwhelmed at my sinful heart that manifests itself in so many ways."
• "lack of love for Christ after all that He has done for me."
• "Not spending enough time with the Lord"
• "displacing my desire to honor God"
• "Rebellious heart in high school"
• "not being real, confessing my sin"
• "Sexual lusts"
• "nothing, I have been forgiven by Christ and thus, I need not feel guilty after repentance."
• "not sure"
• "Admitting to other's that I'm wrong."
• "In a way, going too far with the opposite sex, but not going that far. But in my opinion it was too far."
• "Not spending enough time in prayer"
• "giving in"
• "Stupid stuff I have done to hurt girls. None of it while horrible, it was inappropriate, and I have hurt their trust in me."
• "Devotional Life, Thought Life."
• "rebellion on the past"
• "thought life"
• "Not winning people to Christ as I should. NOT being the ever-christian example."
• "Impure thoughts about some of my friends."
• "not spending enough time with my family and being hurried and busy with other things when I am with them rather than focussing on them during the limited time we have together"
• "none"
• "spitting in God's face so many times with porn"
• "Lust, because I really love my wife, and I often feel like I gave so much away in my teenage years while maintaining a technical virginity. I know Christ forgives, but I still struggle with those thoughts."
• "Not being consistent enough with my personal walk with God."
• "personal reltionship with god"
• "my past sins"
• "past failure when I don't think Biblical, accurately"
• "recurring sins"
• "lack of dedication to God"
• "thinking I should apologize to someone when I really don't need to and feeling guilty that I maybe need to or maybe not need to. Not praying as I should. Not growing as I should."
• "Not giving God more of my time. I want to spend more time with him, but often I am too lazy of preoccupied"
• "I'm not memorizing Scripture enough"
• "The fact that I have been a weak witness for my savior."
• "Defeat in thought life and action"
• "past sin in my life that may be hindering my dad from getting saved"
• "Not witnessing more."
• "My behavior in front of my children."
• "My wasted years living for myself when I was saved. I viewed porn, lusted, cursed, and did my own thing, but praise God for his mecy and forgiveness to us all especially a filthy sinner like me."
• "How far I've gone with the opposite sex"
• "Lack of daily devotions."
• "Lack of preparation and initiative"
• "being hypocritical and having a wrong attitude."
• "continual sin"
• “Not having triumph over that particular sin that draws me, and knowing that I can have victory over it because if I read my Bible more and had a better realtionship I wouldn't struggle that much.”
• “sins that I commited before I was saved and have also done since I got saved”
• “Not having a right relationship with the Lord-when I do not do devotions or pray”
• “Selfishness”
• “That I would be able to completely surrender my thought life over to Christ and get victory in this area.”
• “Past friendships/relationships that were not right”
• “not getting victory over sin”
• “self-pleasure”
• “The past dating relationships”
• “My lack of witnessing”
• “thoughts”
• “Lustful sins and thoughts”
• “my priorities”
• “masturbation”
• “Laziness, immoral thoughts”
• “The fact that I can't get victory over my thought life”
• “sins i have done in the past”
• “Not being a good husband.”
• “There was a time when I was witnessing to a man w/some other girls in my youth group, and the man slammed the door in my face-literally. One of the girls got mad and said something stupid and that man heard her. She and the other girl ran, and he hollered out his door, “That wasn't very Christian-like!” I’ve always felt responsible for that-like I should've tried to apologize to him.”
• “That I do not spend more time in God’s Word and in prayer. I am often distracted by the vain things of the world instead of the things that have eternal value”
• “sexual temptations/sins”
• “My lack of time spent with God on a personal basis”
• “sin”
• “Looking at things I shouldn't.”
• “impure thought life and acting it out”
• “lying”
• “That I can be so strong for the Lord at one time and then at another time flagrantly sin against Him (masturbation).”
• “not working harder at building my relationship with my mom.”
• “My past relationship with Christ. For many years after I was saved I was not growing with him. Though I have grown much in the past couple of years, I have to remember all of the consicous choices I made before them and regret many of them today.”
• “If I was not my true self or if I out up a front when I should never do it!”
• “Neglecting spending time with God daily especially since He's so faithful to me.”
• “can't think of anything”
• “Inappropriate physical relationships”
• “displeasing my perfect Savior”
• “Getting "played" by a "Christian" female and not recognizing it.”
• “Not presenting the gospel in a myriad of situations where I could have.”
• “Turning my back on god at different times in my life. If i would have just let Him take my life, things would have been much different/better.”
• “i dont know”
• “how I put myself ahead of God many times”
• “impure thoughts”
• “Past dating relationships”
• "Sin"
• "Not praying as much as I should."
• "attitude, lack of communication, lust"
• "failing in my Christian life"
• "Masturbation, premarital sex"
• "Reacuring failure in the purity of my mind"
• "lack of prayer and Bible study"
• "pride"
• "Self gratification"
• "Past experiences"
• "My lack of emotional love for God. I do love Him, it's just that during normal life, it is hard to feel like I love Him. I am so used to living a biblical life, that my personal relationship with God can become very stale. He is real to me, but it's real in an academic way. I feel secure in my relationship with Him, I confess my sins, I pray and read my Bible, but sometimes I wish for a more consi"
• "My unconcern for others, particularly my lack of zeal for the conversion of the lost."
• "My lack of faith at times."
• "my past failures"
• "getting away from God with my devotional life and prayers"
• "try not to live with guilt"
• "Thought life"
• "nothing once I have confessed"
• "laziness"
• "thought life"
• "Not following God more closely."
• "Having pre-marital sex with my ex-girlfriend."
• "failure to win souls"
• "past sin"
• "lustful thoughts"
• "same as 101"
• "when i sin"
• "not spending enough time with God"
• "My thoughtlessness toward my wife, my temper, and the way things I see stick in my mind"
• "Not being a good enough witness"
• "ignoring other's needs"
• "Laziness"
• "Thought life, past immorality"
• "my lack of love for Christ."
• "Guilt is gone!"
• "not spending enough time in God's Word"
• "When I sin repeatedly and don't get victory over it."
• "My sexual past"
• "failing to love my unsaved coworkers like Christ does. I judge them too much, I forget they are enslaved to sin."
• "my prayer life isn't what it has been in the past"
• "Thinking about a women in the wrong fashion"
• "Wasting my time! Not using my time for my own and others greatest spiritual needs."
• "My premarital relationship with my (at the time) girlfriend, now my wife. (by the way, I still feel guilty, and she is the only one I have ever known) We have dealt with this, but it is a regret that I wish I could go back and take back."
• "laziness over my habit"
• "Not praying more."
• “Sexual Sins”
• “Things I have done in the past”
• “lust”
• “devotional life”
• “sexual failures”
• “I don’t feel comfortable witnessing to strangers”
• “Thoughts”
• “Viewing Pornography”
• “watching really bad stuff with my husband when we first turned away from God. We just went off the deep end.”
• “Time management”
• “Not using my time wisely to honor Christ.”
• “Lust”
• “Not walking and reacting in the Spirit”
• “not meeting the expectations placed on me by others and myself”
• “not being consistent with my thoughts and confessing them to God”
• “Same as the last question. I do not wish to share this information in such an informal way. Please respect my wishes.”
• “habitual sins”
• “The time I wasted growing up when I did not live for the Lord. My selfishness”
• “How far I have gone sexually while not married.”
• “the way I treat people I love”
• “Guilt is a sin and should not be a binding factor in the life of a redeemed believer.”
• “laziness”
• “masturbating”
• “Nothing”
• “being indifferent”
• “I feel most guilty about not being where I should be in my spiritual walk with the Lord. I put my devotions off all the time and praying. It feels like God is push aside all the time.”
• “Pride”
• “Sin.”
• “Sexual lust”
• “past experiences”
• “Having struggled severely with pornography in the past.”
• “Stupid things I’ve done in the past, mostly before I was saved, but some after my salvation. Examples: drinking, stupid stuff with an ex-boyfriend, etc.”
• “not spending a lot of time in the word, and in prayer.”
• “failure to regularly focus on God”
• “the sins that I commit day to day and can’t seem to get over”
• “sin”
• “My physical relationship I had with my girlfriend when I was in high school.”
• “not being right with God”
• “complaining and angry reaction”
• “I look back on sexual sins w/ shame but not w/ guilt, because they are forgiven by God.”
• “not spending more time in prayer and reading god’s word. I am so busy with school, work, girlfriend that I do not make enough time with God. I truly want to change, but it is hard to discipline my self to do it.”
• “Repeatedly falling into the same sin.”
• “Viewing porn in high school.”
• “lack of witnessing and getting to things that I know I should be doing...”
• “my sexual experiences”
• “Laziness”
• “The fact that I lied to my parents once in a while when I was much younger.”
• "I don't really struggle about feeling guilty, but that is a recent change in my life."
• "lake of faith"
• "when i look at a girl the way i shouldn't"
• "Not having a vibrant relationship with God"
• "the sin just mentioned"
• "past failures in my morals."
• "That I do not love God with all my heart, soul, mind and strength."
• "not centering my thoughts on Christ all the time"
• "Not being a consistent example of Christ"
• "I feel most guilty about the lack of dedication to my personal time with God."
• "When I had a lustful, physical relationship with a girl in high school for about 4 months."
• "The fact that I am not sexually pure."
• "Failing when I know I am doing wrong while I am doing it. My lack of devotions also has been on my mind a lot lately."
• "laziness / pornography"
• "Not spending enough time with God, especially when He continues to answer prayers of mine."
• "Shame and guilt are two different things. I'm ashamed of some past things, but no longer feel objectively guilty for them. Presently, I feel guilty whenever I fall into sin, be it impure thoughts or another occasion of frustration that becomes unbiblical anger."
• "Thoughts"
• "not actively training my children spiritually"
• "When I was a backslider, after my undergrad, I was a BAD INFLUENCE on friends. I DID NOT WITNESS to unsaved friends. I did many BAD THINGS. Fortunately God got ahold of me, changed me, and forgave me, so I can't say I still feel guilty per se. However, I do REGRET that time."
• "the way I treat other people"
• "thoughts"
• "Lust"
• "I suppose I feel most guilty about how much I kissed before I was married."
• "masturbation"
• "Making God too small, viewing porn"
• "sin"
• "the moment of sin showing a lack of faith"
• "Lack of self-discipline in the mind and actions"
• "sinning against by doing the same sin repeatedly"
• "What i have done in the past. the sins i committed before and after salvation are a discouragement to me and are a temptation for me, both to go back to that lifestyle but also to give up on changing and trying to overcome my temptaions"
• "Lust"
• "Lack of consistent prayer and Bible Study"
• "sin"
• "My lack of desire for spiritual things."
• "being too controlling and unkind"
• "failing to fully appropriate the gospel on a daily basis"
• "my wayward teenage years"
• "pride, not seeing the value of a soul"
• "Failing to always and consistently have victory in the area of sexual temptations."
• "kissing my first boyfriend when i was in 9th grade, this was an isolated event but was still wrong"
• "lust and evil imaginations"
• "not living for the Lord more in high school. The years weren't a total waste, but I could have done more."
• “thought life”
• “Sinning against God when I know Christ died for me.”
• “Masturbation before someone publicly mentioned it as being wrong (while preaching a devotional to a male audience)”
• “sinning deliberately.”
• “The time that I do not spend deepening my relationship with Jesus Christ and the lack of sharing about my relationship that I do with others in my community”
• “I consistently don’t give glory to God when it is due, or leave Him on the backburner. I don’t meditate on God nearly as much as I should. I forget about Him.”
• “Thought life”
• “lack of evangelistic zeal”
• “Not knowing the Bible well enough”
• “past sexual impurity”
• “damaged relationships and the reason that they are damaged.”
• “masterbation”
• “nothing”
• “Spending money, not tithing enough”
• “not growing, my emotions get the best of me sometimes”
• “Before I was saved, I was sexually active outside of marriage. I don’t think I will ever forgive myself.”
• “a sin that I have committed in the past and asked forgiveness for, and I do it again repeatedly”
• “Past financial mistakes.”
• “Not spending enough time with the Lord to grow as I should and consistently get victory over sin”
• “Not having enough time with God”
• “not witnessing enough”
• “I feel most guilty about the sins that I commit on a regular basis, including disregard for the Word of God and non-habitual devotions.”
• “dishonesty”
• “That I let God down”
• “Since I am married, being aroused by seeing another attractive women and lusting in my heart”
• “My lack of conversation with the Lord”
• “UNSURE”
• “i feel most quilty about making mistakes. Not getting the good grades. Forgetting to do what my boss says. Perfectionism is a struggle”
• “It depends. Perhaps not prioritizing God like I should.”
• “Not spending the time I need to with the Lord in privite devotions and prayer.”
• “Purity of mind, lying.”
• “Missed opportunities in my life.”
• “the lack of evangelism in my life”
• “my relationship with my parents”
• “Not as much time with family as I like”
• “Not praying”
• “Things that I’ve done before I was saved such as with an ex-boyfriend or drinking/smoking. Mostly the ex-boyfriend stuff (and another situation in which what happened was not by my consent, but I still, at times, wish I could have stopped it...).”
• “Lack of impact upon the unchurched”
• “going too far (physically) in relationships”
• “not spending enough time with God on my own.”
• “not spending more time with my Lord and Saviour”
• “lying”
- "Time, not spending enough with my family compared to work"
- "Nothing. Christ has covered my sins. I ask Him for forgiveness when he convicts me, and His Word promises that He stands before God covering me with His righteousness."
- "family"
- "failing God"
- "past sin"
- "Repeated sin"
- "Not doing my devotions on a regular basis"
- "Not being as outspoken about my faith as I should be."
- "inaction in politics"
- "lack of self-control (appetites)"
- "stuggling thought life"
- "n/a"
- "Sarcasm."
- "not spending enough time in the word of God each week"
- "neglecting my quiet time with God"
- "Not taking a bigger stand for christ."
- "lack of soul winning"
- "Getting angry or impatient"
- "wasting time"
- "Not loving my wife as Christ loved the church."
- "wasting time"
- "lustfull thoughts"
- "past"
- "Too much physical involvement with ex girlfriend"
- "Selfishness"
- "Sexual Sin"
- "Not reaching out to others enough"
- "My lack of correct priorities, both God and my family tend to suffer when I allow my selfishness, and even my work to consume me too much."
- "Let others influence me too much in not talking more about women staying home and raising their own children not the day care service."
- "not reverencing God enough to follow His Word on the issue of relationships. And my handling of money."
- "Kissing an unsaved girlfriend while in high school"
- "Music"
- "Rejecting the truth I know for the lies of lustful thinking."
- "past sins of my own and that I've lead others into"
- "being lazy"
- "knowing to do good, and doing it not"
- "Going too far before marriage"
- "letting down those around me and not showing them Christ"
- "not being a good steward financially"
- "Immoral thinking."
- "Girls"
- "corrupt thoughts"
- "thoughts"
- "impure thoughts/actions"
- "lack of love for God"
- "Struggles with lust"
- "It seems my fellowship with God is not great right now."
- "Continually repeating the same act"
- "the lack of prayer and witness for Christ"
• "past relations with opposite sex"
• "I have regrets, but I try to learn from them and not dwell on them."
• "lying"
• "Masturbation"
• "When I do not spend enough time with my family"
• "my attitude and thoughts"
• "My ex-girlfriend and I were in a room alone together and we did things we should not have done. We both apologized to each other and to the Lord, but I still believe it was wrong and I have trouble not thinking about it."
• "My past sexual sins"
• "stupid decisions concerning sexual acts when unmarried"
• "Not being more diligent in my relationship with the Lord. Not fulfilling all my obligations in my role in the home."
• "watching too many movies"
• "sin, period. but I know that if I repent, Jesus blood covers my sin- and cleanses me from all unrighteousness (I don't HAVE to sin again)"
• "Disobeying God's Word"
• "inadequately rearing my daughter biblically"
• "Thinking on things of the past."
• "consistent failure"
• "that I struggle with lust so much"
• "viewing too much tv"
• "being selfish"
• "Looking at impure things or engaging in sensual activities which I know are wrong."
• "laziness"
• "I don't live a life of guilt. When I sin I ask the Lord's forgiveness and by His grace, rectify those areas of my life. I don't believe God wants us to live with guilt—that isn't a victorious life pattern"
• "not spending enough time with God"
• "Not reading my Bible on Saturdays"
• "Nothing"
• "My lack of desire to have personal devotions. I've tried in the past, many times, but always failed to establish a habit because I just don't care enough."
• "not teaching my children enough about God. At nights, I sit back and think "'how could I have turned that into a lesson about God'? But then I reassure myself that not every second has to be a lesson towards God, because they are seeing God through my actions. (They are 3 years and 9 months) My 3 year old talks about God all the time...then I get to thinking "'Am I teaching them TOO much about God"
• "eating too much food"
• "sexual addiction which is really selfishness"
• "I have nothing to be guilty of."
• "Repeated falling away from the Lord."
• "Thought life."
• "being a bad influence on my younger siblings"
• "The things I did before I was married"
• "Porn"
• "Loosing things then lying about it to cover myself."
• "My thought life"
• "Lack of a true walk with God"
• "Past experiences."
• "(see above)"
• "My sins from my past"
• "Sexual thoughts"
• "My angry responses toward my wife and children"
• "past sins in relationships"
• "Prayer life."
• "For a long time it was if I didn't get my tithe in on time."
• "intimacy and lack of time with God"
• "Lack of discipline in prayer"
• "That Jesus died for that sin, and I do it anyway. I hate it!"
• "wrong thoughts when they happen"
• "sinful thought life"
• "Porn"
• "hurting those I love"
• "Pride"
• "procrastinating"
• "giving God my time"
• "when I treat others wrong"
• "Not spending enough time with family"
• "Not spending enough time with my family"
• "Having sex with my wife before we were married...even though we were engaged to be married."
• "Being stretched to thin."
• "masturbation"
• "Past times when I have been brutally unkind."
• "distrusting everyone/worrying"
• "Not being as grounded in God's Word as I should be."
• "Immoral Thoughts"
• "overall sin"
• "Past physical sins with the opposite sex"
• "not spending more time with my sons"
• "Poor choices I have made that could have severely compromised my testimony or ministry. By God's mercy, they have been forgiven."
• "Anger, Short fuse. Short Temper."
• "Not praying more than I do"
• "My struggle in my thought life with pornography"
• "Lust and anger"
• "don't really know"
• "I believe our guilt was dealt with by grace."
• "not witnessing"
• "Time wasted"
• "To speak up when needed"
• "Wasting time / my life."
• "Wasting time / my life."
• "lack of devotion and love for Christ and others, past failures and sin"
• "When I become impatient with others and when I do not love my wife the way I should."
• "When I become impatient with others and when I do not love my wife the way I should."
• "My lack of consistency in my relationship with God"
• "putting the Lord off because other things take over"
• "sex"
• "Giving in to that loneliness--fantasizing, sleeping in (no devotional time) hypocrisy of the feelings I have and the life I'm claiming to live"
• "nothing"
• "NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR THE LORD"
• "Worrying and not witnessing enough"
• "sleeping too much"
• "Balancing work, church and family"
• "Debt, lack of time to spend with others, lack of consistent devotion life."
• "Not being the best steward of my talents in the past"
• "Laziness"
• "Going too far with boyfriend against conscience."
• "Inconsistency in my spiritual life."
• "lustful thoughts"
• "My lack of prayer for my family and those in my church. And yet I know the Lord regularly forgives."
• "I don't really feel guilty about anything"
• "too much petting while dating"
• "pride"
• "My lack of time to study God's Word whether personally for devos or in the ministry to preach"
• "I don't spend time in God's word and prayer, and I know I should."
• "Past sin with continuing results"
• "Living independently of God."
• "Premarital foreplay"
• "My sloth"
• "laziness"
• "Pre-marriage contact with opposite sex"
• "Although I know I have complete victory over sin in my past due to God's forgiveness, I do have regrets for my actions while I was dating in high school/early college. I wasted a lot of time and emotions on people I wasn't serious about."
• "Spending too little time in close fellowship with God."
• "need to spend more time with kids/wife"
• "Masturbation"
• "inconsistency in my devotional life"
• "occasionally wishing for a different spouse"
• "Sexual contact with a guy when I was a teenager."
• "not witnessing as I should"
• "wasting so much time filling out surveys"
• "That I have not been the best at my job that I can be. I have failed more than once and don't seem to learn from my mistakes fast enough"
• "I have received forgiveness for my past actions from God and my husband, therefore my guilt is gone."
• "Sin which i try to fight alone for long periods of time"
• "pornography"
• "My past sexual immorality"
• "Kissing too much during dating"
• "After sinning I feel that I must live a life of depravity and "payment" of my sin before confessing my sin. This too is getting better as I have learned to again, count what I know God's Word promises as binding on my life."
• "not spending enough time with my family"
• "over eating"
• "Lack of time in God's Word"
• "Thought life"
• "Lack of personal discipline to make Bible reading and prayer more of a priority over my personal entertainment desires."
• "Viewing porno in high school."
• "Amount of time spent with the LOrd"
• "My Thoughts"
• "personal moral failures in viewing habits"
• "My thought life and tv habits as a teenager"
• "Past failures"
• "wasted time"
• "Sins regarding my mouth - complaining, gossipping, etc"
• "The testimony I've had with some people."
• "being apathetic before college"
• "a past relationship that went too far"
• "Not loving God as much as I know that I should"
• "My Past Sexual sins"
• "The wrong relationship that I had with a member of the opposite sex. We nearly ruined two families and a church because of our selfishness."
• "Christ has taken care of it."
• "Not sharing the gospel enough."
• "Fearing man more than God"
• "Criticism and bitterness over the actions of others"
• "Anger"
• "Lazy in spending time with God"
• "Being selfish - unloving"
• "not taking all the opportunities that I can to witness"
• "Looking at pornography."
• "Self-focus in my responses to others."
• "Dirty thoughts"
• "past relationships before marriage"
• "Relationship with my wife before marriage."
• "Displeasing the Lord by putting other things before Him."
• "my sin even when i have confessed it. i struggle with guilt"
• "sinning on purpose"
• "My thoughts at times are unbiblical."
• "masturbating"
• "yelling at my children"
• "what an idiot I was when I said I was a Christian, but my life didn't show it -- and the people it brought down -- farther than I was"
• "My lack of soul winning."
• "not spending enough time in God's Word"
• "sexual thoughts and actions"
• "The fact that I can't seem to get victory over sin without putting as many ""walls"" around myself. I do not have as much of a problem with internet porn once there is an accountability system in place. I have not gotten that since I recently got internet on my computer."
• "past sin"
• "not doing enough for ministry (balancing time and priorities)"
• "all sin"
• "In the past I have made some private sexual mistakes (masturbation)"
• "Sinning after repenting."
• "losing my temper"
• "Everything"
• "Missing personal devotions!"
• "my selfishness - not caring about other's first"
• "I feel guilty when I disappoint people (that includes God, of course)"
• "Getting angry with kids"
• "my weight"
• "waisted time"
• "Neglecting my time with the Lord"
• “Misspoken words that have hurt others that could never be changed.”
• “Homosexual experience in past, not spending enough time with family”
• “My thought life”
• “Past Sexual Activity and Viewing Pornography”
• “lack of discipline”
• “Lack of success in evangelism.”
• “My relationship with the opposite sex before marriage”
• “Not getting saved before I made so many mistakes and wasted so much time, but I’m forgiven and using my time (trying to) for God now.”
• “Not getting help with a struggle with pornography in my high school years.”
• "not doing my devotions"
• "My self-centered anger"
• "not enough personal and family devotion time with God"
• "laziness"
• “Repeated sin”
• "my lack of discipline. My lack of discipline, see f”
• “that i always have struggled with my devotions. I know it is a matter of selfishness and making time out of my schedule to do it. I've given it to god and am trying hard to be more consistent in this prayer and devo time.”
• "My past desires"
• "Weakness dealing with habitual sins"
• "lacking discipline and will power to make the changes I would like to see made in my life and habits"
• “Well, selfishness. . . examples: Being more excited about something besides God's Word Hurting my husband or family”
• "Prideful thoughts"
• "my past mistakes."
• "lies"
• “That most people think I am a much better person than I know I am, but by God's grace, He will not leave me the way I am, but will continue to change me further into His own image.”
• “Struggles with depression (clinically diagnosed dysthymia) and underlying root bitterness problems. Failure to have made more of my ministry. Fatigue.”
• "Calousness"
• "not accomplishing the tasks God has set before me as he would have me to (Job, Husband, Student)"
• "not guilt because I know God has forgiven me, but regret over inappropriate relationship before marriage."
• "Years I did not live for God and the friends I influenced for wrong."
• "My lack of time in the Word, my lack of time in prayer, my ””busyness”” about things that are less important (my current 65 hr work week contributes to this, but is not an excuse)"
• "my past, wasting talents"
• "eating habits/exercise"
• "The sexual activities I was involved in before I got married. I never actually had sex, but I did just about everything else. I now understand that this is absolutely wrong, and as a youth pastor's wife, I teach against any sexual involvement before marriage."
• "””enjoying the pleasures of sin for a season””"
• "Thinking of myself first."
• "Lack of prayer life"
• "being so self-centered and concerned about what people think of me"
• "The ammount of time that I have wasted on things that do not really matter. Also the lack of discipline in prayer and the study of the Word."
• "not spending more time in the Bible and in prayer"
• "Nothing, Christ has paid for it."
• "the struggle it is to have quality time in God's Word every day and have separate times to pray."
• "things done when no one else is around."
• "Weight problems"
• "masturbation  porn"
• "doing the personal gradification"
• "Looking at woman knowing that I don't want to sin against my Lord."
• "My lack of discipline."
• "Acting like a joyful, victorious Christian when I am not"
• "The ratio of time spent with God and time spent doing other things."
• "Private sin that only God knows about."
• "Not spending enough time with my family"
• "My thought life in the past, though I know it is fully forgiven."
• "Breaking institutional rules"
• "Going back on my word"
• "Not allowing the Spirit to control my every thought and action."
• "Lack of walk w/God."
• "Not leading a person to Christ who later died."
• "don't tithe enough to my chruch (only give about 7%)"
• "My lack of trust in God and other people"
• "Lack of sufficient Bible study and prayer time and at times lack of urgency in sharing the Gospel."
• "Spiritual ""dry spells"" and causes of them."
• "Past dating relationships"
• "Not having a very vibrant personal walk with God. Stunted spiritual growth because of lack of time spent in God's Word and prayer."
• "besetting sin"
• "Time Spent in ministry away from family"
• "The continuing struggle in my thought life"
• "Initial contact with people that leaves uncomfortable feelings."
Appendix J
Question 103

What is your main regret you have in your life?

- "I never learned to completely discipline all areas of my life"
- "drugs"
- "not surrenduring to God sooner than I did"
- "GOING TO DANCES EVEN THOUGH I DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN WHAT MY FRIENDS WERE DOING."
- "During college I was involved with a group of people and was involved in activities that I deeply regret today."
- "I don't believe I have one."
- "life is too short"
- "I regret living in rebellion against God until I was saved when I was 21, which wasted so many years when I could have been growing spiritually and serving God."
- "pre-marital sex, rebelling from my father"
- "that i don't have all of the answers I should have"
- "Sinning against God even when i knew it was wrong."
- "lack of physical purity"
- "Going to Bob Jones University"
- "That I allowed my pride over being good perfoming believer, but never understood what it meant to live by grace or live in a relationship with God. I believed that it was my responsibility to impress God. It was a miserable life."
- "I cannot think of one."
- "Adopting the legalism/moralism of my upbringing. These were cisterns that didn't hold water."
- "I have no significant regrets."
- "waiting so long to come to Christ"
- "Not being bold enough to witness like I should have in school."
- "don't know"
- "I made my critical life decisions with sin in my life, though I married after I repented - thank God!"
- "Not being more guarded with my heart and body. Not being more vocal for Christ."
- "Not spending as much time with God as I should."
- "Getting involved in Pornography."
- "na"
- "sinful and wasted teen years"
- "Not having the right direction earlier in my life."
- "self-motivated exposure to immorality prior to salvation"
- "Inward rebellion during my high school years."
- "That I was not saved at a younger age."
- "Not having the highest personal standards in my life. All my sin leads to regret, because I have failed the One who died to free me from those sins."
- "prayerlessness"
- "Coming to a school that turns out to be all appearance and no heart."
- "Physical involvement"
- "Not "'getting serious''' at an earlier age"
- "Not knowing about Christian college"
- "Dating in high school."
- "Sin"
- "avoiding good boys, not always being a good friend, being bad"
- "That I am not more of a witness for Christ. THAT I am not bolder in my life for Christ."
• "Not having a love for Christ as I ought."
• "Being exposed to the wrong friends and activities when in high school."
• "ever looking at porn in the first place"
• "wasted years in high school living for self, not being a better witness for Christ"
• "none"
• "Not telling people about Christ and living for myself rather than for others and Christ."
• "none"
• "Getting into pornography."
• "not thinking ahead regarding planning for the future"
• "being controlled by bitterness for five years--but I look forward and praise God for his mercy"
• "sin"
• "beginning down the road of anorexia and now turning to binge-eating"
• "the continual nature of my struggles"
• "My main regret is refusing to make new friends when I had to move to another country at age 15."
• "Not being as faithful to God as I should have been"
• "not evangelizing enough"
• "7 yrs in bible college"
• "hypocrisy/appearance to others"
• "My vice"
• "Not have an educational system that could keep up with my learning abilities."
• "Not living for the Lord as a teenager"
• "Being in debt."
• "My pridefulness"
• "My unkind attitude"
• "lack of ability to reach my potential"
• "passing up opportunities to be a witness for Christ"
• "Not witnessing more clearly to a man who died after I had a chance to clearly give him the gospel"
• "Being a failure and continually being a disappointment."
• "sex"
• "I didn't claim victory over certain sin habits when I was confronted with them. The roots have grown much deeper, and I've lost some innocence..."
• "Masturbation"
• "Homosexual involvement."
• "Didn't finish Masters course or further education"
• "not being more serious earlier in life, and wasting time"
• "no studying more of God's Word"
• "not truly recognizing my personal relationship with God until i was a Junior in college (last semester). i wish i would have figured it out long before then"
• "That I wasted so much of my life when I could have been serving the Lord."
• "getting involved with pornography"
• "Not being able to do more for The Lord"
• "The bitter responses that have led to a end of some friendships I have had in my life."
• "Not giving more time to God and his word Porn Ungratefulness and detachment from parents and siblings"
• "That I ever looked at pornography."
• "Poor relationship with my Dad."
• "I regret not learning more about my world, culture, and society in High School and early 20's from a Christian perspective. I feel out of touch with the world and generation around me."
• "Premarital sex"
• "growing up proud"
• "premarital sex"
• "not witnessing more"
• "Lack of witnessing to lost friends"
• "That I NEVER GOT OVER MY SIN PROBLEMS AT HOME, i just dont do them at college."
• "That I dealt with an addiction to pornography, and that I hurt many loved ones because of that."
• "Getting involved in pornography during Jr. High"
• "Failing to please God in every area of my life"
• "Not having consistent devotions    Autosex"
• "Not being stronger in standing against temptations"
• "No regrets."
• "Can't say I've lived long enough to have one of these. God has blessed me greatly and been very merciful to me when I've fallen."
• "having gotten involved with pronography prior to my salvation"
• "I went to a Christian high school and Christian college"
• "Not being passionate for God since childhood"
• "I regret most a relationship I had with the opposite sex. We never ultimately had sex, but we had far too much physical contact."
• "Waisting time on useless things--sports, etc."
• "none"
• "Not using my time effectively."
• "The most guilt I feel is that I left a church for another position, but the church was not financially stable"
• "My past involvement with members of the opposite sex"
• "Living in my own righteousness."
• "None"
• "Lack of discipline"
• "Not spending more time praying and reading my Bible"
• "lust"
• "Going a little bit further with my wife than I would have liked to before we were married."
• "Not growing as much in Christ as I should have."
• "wrong thoughts"
• "not living it for God"
• "letting a boy go too far."
• "BOYS"
• "Dating a man that I was not going to marry. I didn't break it up when I should have."
• "Not having pursued my dreams earlier in life due to sinful relationships."
• "Not spending more time in the Bible and talking with God."
• "Pornography/sexual desires."
• "my pride"
• "laziness"
• "Constant failure in my area of struggle."
• "watching inappropriate material on TV"
• "going too far w/ a guy"
• "Having viewed pornography, etc."
• "Things I've said to people and not really meant or wish I hadn't said that have ruined our relationship."
• "Physical relationships (not intercourse-kissing, touching, etc.) with females other than my wife (prior to marriage)."
• "not praying enough"
• "the fact that I see more fruit of the spirit in the lives of the non-fundamental Christians I know that I see in the lives of students at a fundamental Christian College."
• "Knowing my devotion life needs to be better"
• "my lack of passion for Christ"
• "fantasies about other women"
• "Going to far physically with the opposite sex."
• "laziness"
• "Sin"
• "not telling my parents everything I have done, not doing my devos everyday"
• "Unfaithfulness to God"
• "Not living surrendered to the Lord 100% of the time."
• "viewing porn"
• "My thinking"
• "lack of Bible Reading"
• "My thought life most of the time."
• "Previous sins of pornography."
• "not being boldly evangelistic"
• "While I regret living for myself for about 5 years, I look forward, not back. I make things right immediately and keep a short account with God and others. God is gracious."
• "sin"
• "wasting time in grade school"
• "I regret deeply that I did not ""taste and see that the LORD is good"" at a much younger age, and grow in faith from my youth."
• "Majoring in Bible in college instead of a broader area and viewing pornography (I know that is quite a compound sentence--nonetheless, true)."
• "I wish I had not been sexually active before marriage."
• "I was unkind in confronting people in high school that were doing things wrong. Not that I condone the things they did, but I had no real interest in their spiritual growth"
• "Losing the person I was supposed to marry."
• "Being passive about God and obeying Him."
• "Not loving others as I should."
• "I wish I would have been more respectful to my parents when I was younger."
• "That I have not lived with more joy of the Lord in my life."
• "See 102"
• "not having a more consistent personal devotional life"
• "My ex-fiancee, wasting time..."
• "time I've wasted"
• "wasting time"
• "that i did not guard myself from pornography when i was a young teen"
• "Failures in thought life."
• "Viewing pornography and certain personal private sins that I would wish not to mention."
• "not saving myself for my future spouse"
• "I was lazy as a child, and always watched tv instead of reading or playing outside."
• "I was lazy as a child, and always watched tv instead of reading or playing outside."
• "not living for Christ like i should have"
• "I regret that I have not been a more bold witness for Christ."
• "mastrubation and depression- not being right with God at the time- though God allowed me to sin so that I would learn to turn to him."
• "No regrets"
• "I became a Christian as a Junior in High School, I wish that I was more outspoken about my faith in high school."
• "That I was (very mildly) physical with another guy other than the one I'm going to marry."
• "That I waited until I was 19 to really start serving the Lord."
• "That I didn't get on board spiritually earlier in life. It wasn't until college that I started really having a desire for the things of God."
• "involvement with someone of the opposite sex"
• "my times of limited growth because of my own lack of discipline"
• "Actually, I don't really have any regrets at this time. I have done many things that I in one way wish that I hadn't, but at the same time, I believe that God planned even those things into my life in order to glorify Him and to bring me to be more like Him. Therefore, although in one sense I have regrets, I am still thankful that God has allowed those things into my life, and that gratitude wins"
• "choices in high school"
• "None."
• "Falling into the same sin over and over again. And not being consistent in personal devotions...although I am doing much better with that right now."
• "unsure"
• "Same as above."
• "I don't regret anything, I've learned from my mistakes"
• "All the time I spent in the Bars and partying"
• "I feel that I have wasted time in spreading the Gospel"
• "I didn't spend more time growing in Christ and building a strong foundation when I was younger."
• "The first time I ever looked at pornography."
• "not saving my virginity"
• "I haven't done more for the service of the Lord, and I've been dishonest"
• "I regret not marrying sooner"
• "Same"
• "Not witnessing when God gave me the perfect opportunity and now the man is in Hell."
• "They way I mistreated another person"
• "Some of the things I have viewed on television"
• "Poor choices in my past that have caused current thought struggles"
• "Allowing relationships to distract me from my relationship with God and the bitter repercussions of that"
• "Purity issues"
• "My past sin in what I chose to look at."
• "Choosing not to honor God in certain situations."
• "my parents were not a better example of Christianity"
• "no regrets"
• "having sex before marriage"
• "The time I have wasted on temporal pleasures and how I could have spent that time on eternal things - discipling someone, reaching the lost, time in Bible study, etc."
• "wrong decisions of the past - even though unsaved I knew what was right and didn't do it."
• "lost opportunities"
• "going too far with a guy"
• "Wasting much of my high school years on myself"
• "Breaking up with the girl that I dated in high school. She was a godly girl, nothing physical about the relationship."
• "Over confidence"
• "having been physically involved with a longstanding girlfriend"
• "That I got involved in illicit sexual activity. You can't get it back, and I dread having to tell my future husband (if God grants one) about my past."
• "I don't allow myself to regret the past."
• "Timidity in my relationships with the unsaved and with other believers"
• "lack of dedication to God during Jr/Sr High"
• "Not spending more time in high school developing a relationship with God."
• "I refuse to allow myself to regret the past. I don't believe it glorifies God or benefits me."
• "That I didn't get saved sooner."
• "Wasting so many years, not living for God."
• "Getting bitter as a young teenager"
• "1. Not being taught how to study Scripture properly without presuppositions toward one theology/philosophy 2. Not memorizing Scripture as much as I need"
• "lack of discipline thoughts"
• "not having better teaching earlier, much of what i got in college, growing up in fundamentalism, and perhaps staying too long (although regret would be strong, as i rejoice in God's sovereign will having been accomplished in all of these things)"
• "Having a child out of wedlock and not living a righteous life in my earlier years."
• "stealing at a previous job"
• "past sins"
• "See question 102. By the way, on the next question, how should I know what those closest to me would say about me? And how could I presume to say that I my life is characterized by walking in the Spirit?"
• "I don't have any regrets."
• "Sin on many levels. Not applying myself as much as I could have on college"
• "didn't serve God when young"
• "that I've spent too much time in shallow relationship (of any sort-not just talking about other gender relationships)"
• "Not taking daily ministry opportunities with people around me"
• "dating life"
• "viewing pornography in high school"
• "trying to do things in my strength and not in the spirit"
• "Not taking advantage of the resources (people, church, etc) that I had in high school and using them to help me grow closer to God."
• "that I don't make every minute count 'cause I'm afraid of what people will think"
• "The person I dated before I met my wife"
• "didn't live my high-school / formative years with a proper outlook, rather selfish"
• "Not completely giving my life up to God."
• "Question 99, without doubt"
• "not being more involved in peoples lives in highschool"
• "Ever looking at soft-porn."
• "Feeling dirty when I don't answer someone honestly."
• "I can't think of one."
• "Looking and Lusting at pornography, it is addicting and horrible"
• "giving in to physical desires"
• "Not admitting to the fact I wasn't saved until 11th grade."
• "Doing things I shouldn't have done that have lasting effects"
• "thought life"
• "Not having been as good of a witness as I should have been"
• "Not being very close to my father while living at home. I am closer to him now that I am in college than I ever was."
• "Have not done enough for the Lord"
• "porn"
• "Messing around physically with my wife before we were married"
• "That my pride kept me from salvation for so long"
• "I wish I had memorized more Scripture as a teen"
• "I suck as a leader to my family"
• "my past sins...not living for Christ consistently in high school"
• "viewing porn"
• “Some of the things i have read and talked about"
• "Not surrendering to His will sooner in life"
• "My best friend fell away from the Lord and I probably didn't help her in any way not to as I should have."
• "I really don't have one, The one time my girlfriend and I went too far, the Lord rebuked us, we confessed it, accepted the consequences, learned from it, and now we have a better relationship now than ever before, we are totally focused on God, and He is helping us both to grow. Lord willing we will be married soon!!!!!"
• "sexual immorality"
• "That I fell away in my relationship with God when I was younger."
• "No major ones"
• "how i treated my parents in high school"
• "That I was too proud to get saved eireler"
• "That I have wasted so much time worried about things that don't matter (what people think of me, issues, politics, etc.)"
• "Not being more confident in my witnessing. Especially with my family members"
• "How far I've gone with the opposite sex."
• "Not leaving enough time for God."
• "lack of faithfulness"
• "giving my heart away too soon and making a memer of my family think i dont love them although it is taken of now."
• "getting involved in pornography in high school"
• "Doing what I did, when I was already a christian and not forgiving myself for it."
• "?
• "My own stinking selfishness"
• "Not being a good witness in my home for the first two years I was saved so that when my step-mother died I could say that I did all I could to win her to Christ."
• "I have not been as effective a witness as I should be."
• "developing the taste for heavy metal music that I still have today"
• "starting self-pleasure"
• "same"
• "That I spent so much time in my life wrapped up in my own fears and pains that I didn't reach out to others whether they were saved or unsaved."
• "Going too far in a relationship"
• "Going a bit too far with a member of the opposite sex."
• "That I would not have seriously dated in high school. That I am not a bolder witness for Christ."
• "masturbation"
• "Not living dependent on Christ at a younger age"
• "That I ever chose to get involved with a certain guy when I was 14."
• "sins i have done in my past"
• "I regret not serving the Lord more."
• "That I do not have relationships with my parents that I should and that I am not as self-controlled as I should be in Bible reading, thought life, and prayer."
• "sexual temptations/sins"
• "My lack of witness to my unsaved friends."
• "getting run over by a lawn mower as a small child...seriously"
• "I'm not sure."
• "Rebellion to God so that I am far more immature than I should be right now."
• "physical relations"
• "Living in so much sin before salvation."
• "being a people pleaser."
• "Reference previous question"
“Not respecting my father as I should”
“I am not as spiritually mature as I should be at this point and I’m certain I have lost many opportunities to be a witness and lead/invite others to Christ because of this.”
“not showing my parents the respect they deserved”
“Inappropriate physical relationship”
“Going to a dance with a date in high school”
“Lack of true holiness and fervency for Christ.”
“I never told my two best friends in high school about the Lord. I never encouraged them in God’s Word. I encouraged them in the ways for the world and it shows in their lives.”
“i dont know”
“I lived too many years for myself”
“Viewing improper things when younger.”
“not controlling my thought life, which led into physical sins”
“that I have not done more with my time to further the cause of Christ”
“no regret”
“Sex before marriage”
“The sins I’ve committed when I’ve known better.”
“That I did not realize so many valuable principles in God’s Word until college.”
“I found bad magazines in high school and struggled with that for a while. I never really got involved in it. I only was involved in porn when I found it but I never resisted it when I found it.”
“None”
“Premarital sex”
“total worldliness in High school years”
“failure to walk consistently with God in private disciplines”
“no major ones yet (I’m young=)”
“Not being in full time ministry earlier in life”
“My lack of loyalty towards Christ”
“not following God earlier”
“I regret some of the books I have read and some films I have watched. I have read things that I wish I never had. The images created or viewed will always be with me. Often, it is those evil, immoral, or simply very terrifying thoughts that come to me when I am afraid or spiritually weak. I especially wish that I had never seen film depicting demonic or psycopathic villains. Such images can haunt”
“I regret not evangelizing more often”
“Same sex situations.”
“being introduced to pornography”
“not being a good brother to my brothers”
“no regrets baby”
“pornography”
“I didn’t pay enough attention in my bible classes in highschool, church, and college”
“wasted years”
“Having pre-marital sex.”
“I lost my purity to my ex-girlfriend.”
“making bad choices in high school”
“not giving all my life to the lord during my teen and college years”
“allowing myself to see pornography in middle school.”
“kissing my ex-girlfriend”
“offending my mother”
“Not learning evangelism earlier on in my Christian walk”
“Not living for the Lord in my early high school years.”
“none”
“missed opportunities.”
• "The choices I made before I was Born Again"
• "Pornography"
• "starting to view pornography as a teenager"
• "Not obeying the Lord in certain issues or areas."
• "Not using it to serve Christ more"
• "going to far sexually"
• "Lack of witnessing to friends in the past."
• "Having had sex before I was married"
• "I wished I had never so much as kissed a man who was not my husband."
• "Allowing boys to do too much with me"
• "That I do not strongly advocate God in my witness."
• "Not using my early educational years to learn things that would be essential for me now."
• "having premarital sex"
• "not receiving the fullest education I could have"
• "Not being a better testimony."
• "Pre-marital sex"
• "letting God down in those areas that I failed"
• "ineffectiveness"
• "forming poor habits"
• "That I did not get saved earlier"
• "my past sexual failures"
• "bitterness against my church, school, and pastor- sexual immorality ruined the testimony of the people I loved and looked up to as Godly role models"
• "Loss of virginity"
• "Pre-marital intercourse"
• "That I didn't know what to do when I was being abused by my Christian school teacher. I didn't know where the authority line was."
• "Not finishing seminary"
• "Only with in the last couple of years have I tried to be consistent in my spiritual life. I have wasted too much time on things that are not best. I have not studied out all of these Bible doctrines and principles for myself so I can be more grounded in what I believe."
• "A five-month period when I became involved in pornography."
• "That I did not always listen and honor my parents like I should have."
• "1) that I wasn't a Humanities major  2) that I didn't audition for the University Chorale while in grad school so I could have Warren Cook as a choir director"
• "getting involved in pornogrphy during high school"
• "Same as previous question"
• "not giving my best for Jesus Christ"
• "That I viewed pornography when I was younger and did not give my heart to my Dad and allow him to help guide me through my years of development."
• "Not witnessing very much."
• "Not respecting my parents more"
• "i regret not kissing my ex-boyfriend"
• "Not having said enough about my savior so far."
• "That I was lazy in my first year of college."
• "I am unsure. The times I have not witnessed when I know I should have, the times I have hurt Jesus with my sins, the times my life has been a bad example to my brother who is younger than me and whom I don't believe is saved."
• "I haven't shared the gospel with more people."
• "Getting involved with drugs."
• "Pre-marital relations"
• "Sin. And the fact that I did not attend St. John's College in Anapolis, MD, for my undergraduate education."
• "Caving into sexual lust prior to marriage. As well as viewing the first image of pornography."
• "past experiences"
• "My conduct during my junior high and early high school years."
• "Not starting to live for the Lord/getting saved at a younger age."
• "Nothing. If I regret anything means I would want to change it, and I might not be here in the center of God's will. Everything is done for a purpose. Good or Bad!"
• "I haven't been more of a witness for Christ"
• "The wrong things I've done"
• "being a better witness"
• "Not spending more time in prayer and in God's Word every day."
• "not doing my best"
• "wasted time as a saved teenager"
• "I was not serious about Christ in High School"
• "I regret not loving the LORD and not living for him like I should. My testimony is scared w/ a selfish sin record."
• "not developing good habits when I was younger because it is more difficult to change because I have had these bad habits for a long time."
• "That I have at times had ungodly motives and repeatedly sinned, rather than living in obedience to God."
• "Did not catch a passion to know God till college."
• "at times, not been as bold as I should have been"
• "starting cigarettes"
• "lack of faith"
• "Not using my time and talents to the best of my abilities."
• "That I was brought up in a very hyper-fundamentalist church, and I let the wrong teachings and philosophy really hinder my relationship with the Lord for a long time."
• "lack of faith"
• "That I've spent so much of my life pleasing myself."
• "too much physical contact with an old girlfriend"
• "viewing of pornography when I was young and the problems it causes today."
• "wasting time"
• "Not having a good relationship with my family."
• "I went farther with my ex-boyfriend than I should have. We did not participate in sexual intercourse, but I am now engaged and I wish that I had never even kissed my ex-boyfriend."
• "having a lustful, physical relationship with a girl while in high school"
• "The fact that I defiled and allowed another to defile my body before marriage."
• "I feel as though I am wasting the life I have been given - I am not investing it in the cause of Christ"
• "None."
• "Sin in the past."
• "Not consistently seeking God like I should"
• "not maintaining friendships after life changes like marriage, children. . . ."
• "See prior Q/A"
• "not spending as much time in God's Word as I should growing up till now"
• "Physical Relationship with my wife prior to marriage"
• "not pushing myself to study as much as I could in college"
• "Lust"
• "The biggest regret in my life is that I did not do my best in all my classes in college and high school."
• "not using the time for God's glory"
• "Sex before marriage"
• "dating a girl in High School that I should not have"
• "Not pursuing Scripture enough"
• "That I didn't witness more to my father before he died."
• "not living every moment for Christ"
• "That I didn't get saved sooner, that I rebelled against the Lord after I got saved, that I ever saw pornography, and that I had inappropriate sexual contact."
• "Rebelling against my parents as a teen"
• "That I didn't get saved sooner, that I rebelled against the Lord after I got saved, that I ever saw pornography, and that I had inappropriate sexual contact."
• "Not dealing with sin's baggage earlier in my life"
• "sin"
• "The young age I discovered pornography."
• "Not spending more time with my dad."
• "wasted gifts from the Lord"
• "my wayward teenage years--I wished I could have been a better testimony to my unsaved friends and family"
• "Years wasted serving myself"
• "Wasting time and not living for the Lord in high school. I lived mostly for myself."
• "Not spending more time in God's Word up to this point in my life."
• "same as previous question"
• "A feeling that I did not honor my late father as God would have wanted me to do"
• "not building deeper relationships with people in the church"
• "that I struggle so much with my thought life"
• "That I did not love Christ nor people genuinely with pure motives."
• "Not being more of the type of Christian that I'm sure God would have me to be. I have not lived my life continually in light of all that God is, and I regret that."
• "failing morally."
• "not telling as many people about Christ as I should have"
• "Not witnessing to people because I was too scared of what they would think."
• "That I viewed sanctification as gaining merit with God somehow for so long - it is hard not to be legalistic"
• "Not being actively involved in soul-winning"
• "Not studying the Bible like I should have"
• "past sexual impurity"
• "my relationships with women, or maybe the pride that has stunted my growth for so long."
• "That I don't love Jesus enough"
• "nothing"
• "past activities"
• "Not receiving Christ at an early age."
• "the way I handled a major transition in my life--I rebelled very badly"
• "Not completing my M.Div. degree."
• "That my spiritual growth has been so sporadic in spite of all the opportunities I have to learn about God and His Word"
• "Not being saved earlier"
• "my sins while attending a secular college"
• "That my relationship with Christ is not nearly where it should be."
• "dishonesty"
• "Not saving enough for the future."
• "I can't think of anything right now"
• "My wasted years in high school"
• "NOT BEING SAVED SOONER"

• "when i start regrettng i try and move past it because i don't want to live in a state of defeat. I don't want to answer that question because of my belief just stated. If i would then i would find myself in a state of defeat and Paul says i need to leave that which is behind me"

• "Not keeping God in the center of everything I do and not seeking constantly to grow in the knowledge of Christ."

• "Having viewed immoral material in the past."

• "Not knowing if I was saved until age 17."

• "Wasted opportunities"

• "That I know so much about sexual things from having the wrong friends in jr high and high school. Im a virgin...but only in the physical sense...I have head knowledge of things I should not know about until Im married, and I regret that loss of innocence"

• "That I was not totally pure for my future wife"

• "Moving far from family"

• "That I didn't begin the violin when I was a small child. I would love to play the violin, but even if I start it now, I'll never be any good at it. I know that's not a spiritual regret, but that's my biggest regret."

• "Not living for the Lord at a younger age and avoiding the mistakes I made in high school. Life could have been a lot less messy if I would have started to live for the Lord a lot sooner."

• "Attending a fundamentalist college"

• "Sex before marriage, leading to the termination of a pregnancy. I knew it was wrong, the spirit made that very clear but my shame and non open communication with my parents kept me from ever telling them, even to this day 15 years later. Yes, I was saved at the time just very backslidden and had not been in church for 4 years. The guilt is what drove me back to church when I left home and also dro"

• "Not giving my life to the Lord earlier so he could use me more."

• "never speaking up when I know i should have."

• "Time ... I need 18 hour days"

• "none"

• "i don't have one"

• "Wasted time"

• "past sexual sin"

• "Loosing opportunity to witness and win and then the person dies"

• "being mean to my younger brother when we were little, I never hurt him physically but we both drove each other nuts when we should have been getting along and playing well with each other and having an awesome relationship"

• "Not having led someone to Christ yet. I've talked to people, I've witnesssed to people, and I've participated in multiple outreach programs, but no one I've spoken to has ever accepted Christ."

• "no regrets"

• "not establishing a habit of devotions"

• "Allowing pornography to become a habit young in life."

• "Getting in with the wrong crowd in high school"

• "I would have applied myself more in high school and college"

• "participating in immoral behavior with members of the opposite sex (not my husband)during my teen and college years"

• "Not becomming a soul winner earlier in life"

• "Not studying doctrine and church history"

• "Not getting right with the Lord sooner"

• "Wish I would have been more helpful to my wife when the kids we're babies."

• "Educational failure"

• "I didn't get more theological training"
• "No regrets"
• "My past sexual relationships"
• "past sins"
• "Not having a better relationship with God."
• "None"
• "Sexual Sin (of the mind)"
• "Not witnessing to the boy I saw in the restaurant when I felt God pressing heavily for me to do so."
• "That I didn't make more efforts to make God the focus of my life when I had all the opportunity and training in the world to do so. I regret that I wasted a few years before really allowing God to direct my life."
• "Witnessing to my dad-- still unsaved. Praying for his salvation every day."
• "Not being saved earlier in life. Would have helped me through a lot of problems that I now face later in life."
• "Not having the faith to believe God would provide for Bible college and using a loan and a credit card"
• "That my sin / less-separated lifestyle probably turned a few people off from the gospel."
• "An uncomfortable incident with my cousin"
• "Choosing to return to specific sins I have often pledged to never repeat."
• "Not taking total advantage of the great position I have been given in life (Christian school, parents, family, church)"
• "The good I haven't done"
• "Too much before marriage"
• "Saying things I shouldn't have"
• "doubting God and relying on my reason and "control" of myself which led to getting emotionally involved in a relationship with an unsaved guy"
• "Not being a bold witness for Christ."
• "Girls"
• "my thought habits"
• "a relationship I had in college with a girlfriend."
• "continual moral failures"
• "Not pursuing God harder my whole life"
• "Education, should have done it sooner and gone longer"
• "Not always following God, and relying on my own wisdom instead"
• "I wish I had been talked to about the dangers of pornography before I got involved in it. It is a hard battle."
• "Heavy petting"
• "That I didn't listen to my dad when he said that sexual thoughts could ruin your life"
• "not being held accountable for moral issues as a young preacher, not learning how to pray and witness with the power of God"
• "That on occasion I have lost my focus and do not always set my mind on things above. Just things that any Christian goes through with knowing that there have been wasted days."
• "Not being spirit filled all the time"
• "Allowing my friends to talk me into trying masturbation. Had I not tried it the first time, I don't feel it would have become such a struggle for me."
• "None"
• "Sexual sins - all forgiven now...just wish it wouldn't have happened"
• "dating/physical relationships"
• "My main regret is that my ex-girlfriend and I are not even talking to each other right now. I believe she is disgusted with me and wants to be left alone."
• "Sexual sins"
• "Allowing my "friends" to dictate my life."
• "That I dated in high school."
• "Not living for God as much as I could have."
• "I really don't have regrets, I've received forgiveness."
• "losing my virginity before getting married (not with my wife)"
• "Lack of evangelism"
• "engaging in immoral relationships with boyfriends during my christian college experience"
• "Not chosing to follow the Lord earlier in my life."
• "not taking advice of wise spiritual counselors"
• "Not being completely honest with many people around me."
• "fornication"
• "developing a bad pattern of tv watching"
• "not figuring out my parents were so smart sooner"
• "That I did not build accountability with my parents in my moral and spiritual life until later in my high school years. This led to sensual habits that I struggled with for quite some time."
• "premarital sex"
• "not being saved sooner"
• "Physical relationship before marriage with previous girlfriend."
• "None"
• "That I never got to experience the single life--I married while still in college and went directly from my father's house to my husband's."
• "Past failures in regards to sexual life"
• "Regretting the fact of my family history. Going along with my sibling about turning the abuse over to the authorities, where it would have lead us as a family. (We never did take it to the authorities, we just lived with it)"
• "Aside from not getting control of my weight, nothing."
• "Decisions that I have made to follow my own will and sin nature instead of allowing God to made me into the person that he wants me to be"
• "Probably my rejection of Godly priniciples for a brief time in Bible College"
• "Going to far physically."
• "That many of my friends are still unsaved because I wasn't a good example"
• "Going as far as I did with past relationships"
• "porn, rebelling in HS (that's where i picked up most of my sinful habits that i still truggle with), learning how to swear (i still slip when i'm mad)"
• "I don't have any."
• "Prior relationships with women"
• "Struggling with purity in my thought life"
• "Falling away from God."
• "(see above)"
• "Not being more serious about God earlier."
• "The relationship I had with a guy in college."
• "That during my teen years I did not keep myself pure sexually for my future wife."
• "The lowest point in my spiritual walk where I chose to sin while knowing what I was doing was wrong."
• "Touching a girl (fiance) before I met my wife."
• "My first marriage"
• "sexual intercourse"
• "Wasted years, unwise use of finances"
• "Not being the salt and light witness I could or shou8ld have been now and in the past."
• "Not being more godly in the past"
• "Some things I did in the military"
• "i wish i would have done more"
• "Not studying the Scriptures more when I was younger."
• "Missed opportunities to witness"
• "Not trying my hardest in school"
• "That I didn't have a desire to learn about the Lord and greatly serve Him as a young Christian."
• "Mistakes made in college"
• "The rebellion that allowed myself to fall into as a teenager that led to sin scars that I still fight today."
• "Lack of boldness"
• "Having sex with my wife before we were married...even though we were engaged to be married."
• "I have none."
• "Going farther with a member of the opposite sex than I should have"
• "A sense of not having achieved anything lasting, not having done my life's work, not even knowing exactly what it is to be. Much like Milton in ""How Soon Hath Time,"" where he laments his malaise but submits himself to God's will and time."
• "Not experiencing more of life during the younger years (17-25)"
• "Not doing more for God as a younger person."
• "Letting my ex-fiance touch me as much as he did."
• "Too much time spent doing worthless things instead of God's things."
• "Losing my chastity"
• "Sex before marriage"
• "None! My personal motto is No regrets! It's under the blood if confessed and God gives new mercy for today so I strive to give my best to God each day learning from the previous."
• "Choosing a girl over God in highschool and living sinfully for 5 years after that (due to shame) before repenting."
• "Going farther in a physical relationship with the opposite sex than I should have"
• "Not having spent more time in the Scripture and prayer"
• "Being the ""nice guy"" once too often"
• "None"
• "Accepted Christ sooner"
• "Wasting my early years not being serious about Christianity"
• "Moral failures before college, probably before I was saved"
• "That I would have been more pro-active spiritually and otherwise."
• "Wasting valuable time."
• "No regrets"
• "Life is too short to spend it regretting things. the past is in the past for a reason."
• "Better spiritual discipline habits in college and seminary, missed getting to know my wife during seminary"
• "Dating in high school"
• "Not faithful enough to the Lord"
• "Sex"
• "I can't think of any huge regrets--I wish I was more consistent in my walk with God--truly. I wish the person some believe me to be was the person that I truly am 100% of the time. No huge event regrets though."
• "I wish I had been allowed to have unsaved friends when I was younger and have more of as ""life"""
• "Not really getting interested in God and spiritual things and witnessing till in my adults years."
• "Spending too much time ""thinking"" non-independent non-fundamental, non baptist churches were the enemy."
• "One act of inpropriety in the military with another woman"
• "None"
• "Not being a better Christian"
• "haven't been sold-out to the Lord till now."
• "Wasted years."
• "falling into sexual sin once in college when I was unsaved"
• "That I have not given Him my all on a regular basis, I cannot go back and spend the time in prayer, Bible study, or prayer that I should have."
• "Not working harder at college. I wish I would have learned discipline earlier."
• "that I didn't wait for God's best in my marriage"
• "pride"
• "I wish I would have gotten serious in my Christian life and deeper study earlier."
• "I can honestly say I don't have any regrets to this point."
• "Past dating relationship"
• "That I'm not yet married and I have no children."
• "Many years of my life wasted by selfishness and concern for the opinions of others."
• "That I would have paid more attention in some of my classes at Bible college"
• "I have no MAJOR regrets"
• "I don't have any regrets."
• "Sex play before marriage (with one person)"
• "My witness to the lost"
• "not being more of a witness in h.s. trying to not stand out."
• "inconsistent devotional life not witnessing more"
• "Not having a close relationship with my parents and siblings when I was a teenager."
• "that I am a sinner"
• "that I have not been the best that I could be in all that I have done."
• "Things I've seen or listened to intentionally or unintentionally that still pop up on certain occasions."
• "That I ever looked at the wrong things"
• "Not standing up for what I believe to Christian leaders who I knew were being unbiblical and influencing my generation and myself for the wrong, to simply advance there own reputation or view."
• "how I've treated my younger brother my last dating relationship"
• "My past sexual immorality and the bad relationships"
• "Allowing myself to be sexually harassed"
• "Never having the sound doctrine of teaching that I am currently receiving at my church. It would have made the biggest difference in my life. I don't know how I could have lived a "Christian" life knowing and living out the things that I now know about the God I serve. I had a great upbringing. My parents are still in full time ministry, with my dad still being one of the wisest and godly man"
• "none"
• "neglecting my family in the past for the ministry"
• "Never leading anyone to the Lord"
• "That I never sought out a mentor. I think I would have been able to make better, wiser choices growing up."
• "Becoming dependent on people, rather than just trusting God"
• "That I have not realized complete surrender to God in my life."
• "Do not know God better than I do."
• "Thought life"
• "I'm not perfect"
• "I didn't learn to control my worrying/fear/fear of man before it greatly impacted my life."
• "probably that I fell in the area of pornography"
• "That I didn't start living biblically until I was 20."
• "repeatedly failing"
• "lack of giving out the gospel"
- "sexual involvement before marriage"
- "Doing things my way for too long."
- "being apathetic before college"
- "allowing myself to be drawn into a relationship that violated virtually every conviction I had"
- "Not trying to get closer to God sooner than I did"
- "My Past Sexual life"
- "My main regret is that I didn't stop the relationship that cost me my job and my ministry within the church."
- "that I haven't done more for the Lord"
- "Staying out of grad school too long."
- "Being a poor testimony of a Christian while in public school and not sharing the gospel enough."
- "Not getting saved soon enough in life to tell my brother before he died."
- "not being the example I should be"
- "Taking so long to complete my college education meant that I wasted years I could have been more actively involved in ministry."
- "Sexual impurity(to a degree), anger"
- "None - can't go back - why live in the past - live for the future"
- "Only that I have not been as faithful and zealous for the Lord as I should have been."
- "That my dad and I argued through the majority of my teenage years."
- "Not spending enough time with my Lord, and not sharing His wonderful message as often as I should."
- "that I was so self-centered and failing to trust God in the events of my life"
- "Looking at pornography."
- "I regret selfish friendships and dating relationships and the hurt that I have caused because of my self-focus."
- "Making an impact in my high school"
- "that I have not spent more time for the Lord doing things I know I should."
- "I was not a very godly witness while in public school."
- "not witnessing enough"
- "not witnessing to public school friends"
- "Compromising my stand for the Lord and allowing CCM into my life. Not separating from new evangelicals and others who were not doctrinally sound. This affected my decisions in moral and spiritual affairs."
- "not using my time wisely"
- "lack of self control with my mouth"
- "see Q 102"
- "I did not plan more carefully to prepare myself for where I am now."
- "That I moved away from the Lord."
- "I don't have any"
- "to start looking at porn"
- "That the abuse ever happened. I think I would not have these problems if I had not been abused. I had other things in my childhood that could contribute to an improper view of the opposite sex, but I am excited about the possibility of a relationship in the near future. Hopefully, the delight of this person's companionship and their love for the Lord as well as a physical attraction, will help me"
- "Not evangelizing enough"
- "starting seminary late in life (30), not attending bible college"
- "disobedience not spending as much time in the Word as we should"
- "I feel like I could have had a greater impact during my christian school years"
- "A lack of spiritual victory in my life."
- "Not being a better vocal witness!"
• "dating"
• "losing a closeness in relationship with Jesus"
• "Everything that I have ever done without, against, or to harm the Lord and His work."
• "Having pre-marital relations with the opposite sex"
• "that I didn't take full advantage of opportunities to grow in the past."
• "That I did not learn to spend more time in Scripture and Bible-reading as a child."
• "the physical relationship that I had in the past"
• "Indecisiveness"
• "not getting serious sooner in my walk with God"
• "That I haven't been more sold out to Christ"
• "Not being more passionate about the Lord"
• "That I didn't wait a year after college to mature more for the ministry."
• "I didn't do enough as a young person to prepare for the future"
• "My dating experience - I wish that my parents would have set down real limitations without judgement"
• "Going farther in my sexual realtionship with my wife before we were married"
• "A lack of real openness with my immediate family"
• "Besides not getting saved as soon as possible, it would have to be having sex before marriage."
• "Not witnessing as much as I should have to unsaved family and friends."
• "not talking to my unsaved friends about christ while i was in public school"
• "Sexual activity before marriage"
• "having engaged in unmarried sexual intercourse before I was saved"
• "not striking my own path early on"
• "Being tricked into pornography, failing God"
• "Lack of spiritual siscipoine."
• "Wondering, have I done my best for my Master"
• "Not speaking more boldly as i ought to have when working with the unsaved in my life. I need to give them the gospel and not be afraid of what they will think because God is on my side"
• "habits of the past that I continue to struggle with"
• "Past weakness with thought life and pornography"
• "wasting time"
• "past sin"
• "That I seemingly wasted years in high school when I should have been getting to know Christ and His Word better"
• "Holding back from the Lord"
• "having sex before I was married"
• "not taking advantage of the Biblical teaching that I received earlier in life"
• "That I did not learn about the doctrines of grace much sooner. The victories and the new life I have with God are indescribable, and life just never plateauas anymore. It just keeps growing. I now love my Lord and my God so much more than I ever have in my life, especially now that I have truly learned how much He chose to love me in spite of my sin and depravity, and how He chose to save me from m"
• "That I did not start seminary sooner."
• "sexual sin"
• "Not living surrendered to God"
• "my past"
• "Pursuing a degree compatible with fulltime motherhood"
• "Again, the sexual activities that I was involved with before marriage, and that I am not as mature spiritually as I could have been had I sought to have a relationship with Christ since the moment of my salvation. I wasted a lot of years doing my own thing, even though I was saved."
"I'm too young to have regrets. Um, I wish I had not quit the flute in junior high."
"Being too proud to admit I was struggling with doubts about my salvation from age 8-18."
"I did not establish good habits in devotions early"
"being too shy to make an impact on others for the Lord"
"I regret some of the financial decisions that I have made in the past."
"not spending more time enthralled with Jesus Christ and shaping my hours around that"
"I don't regret anything, but view it as God's sovereignty in my life."
"a past dating relationship in High School"
"Not learning a lesson the first time I have the opportunity to do so. Repeated failure leads to regret. When I learn from a mistake, there's no regret."
"Dated too much in High School"
"masturbation"
"making out with a girl in 7th grade"
"That I'm not loving my wife the way that Christ loves the church."
"I failed to apply myself in college. I believe I missed out on a bunch of stuff b/c I simply didn't take it seriously. I wish I had been more serious in my ministry training."
"The person I married. I thought it was God's will, and found out after a year of my now 2-year marriage that my spouse is homosexual"
"Maintaining a friendship that I should have run from. She was not a good influence, and I will be forever associated with this person in certain circles."
"That I spent my time in high school more concerned about girls than God"
"I regret getting too involved in a dating relationship in high school"
"That I may have missed an opportunity to use my music for the Lord to the full extent of His will."
"I wish I had treated my parents with more respect when I was younger, and not tried to conform to the world to gain "friendship."
"Allowing my perspective to be influenced so much by media and movies"
"Before I was saved(no details included, they're gon)"
"Not being more transparent with struggles, victories, and my personal relationship with Christ."
"Getting angry when things don't go my way."
"Turning away from God and running with the world while in my early 20s."
"I would say I wasted alot of time in my early twenties."
"grew up with too narrow of a view of the worldwide body of Christ."
"living an area too quickly before communicating to others"
"I have not been able to accomplish all that I would like to with my life."
"Good deeds the Spirit has prompted me to do, but I have left undone"
"Not having shared the Gospel with more people"
"Ever slipping the first time post-salvation."
"not being a virgin when I married"
"Not developing the habit of regular personal devotions before adulthood, and never being personally discipled by a mature believer after salvation."
"lack of spiritual growth"
"none"
"Starting a daily pattern of devotions later in my Christian life"
"1. I did not witness more effectively at work.  2. I did not do more education sooner in life."