

Home Huddle

Faith 5

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Sunday Morning

10:00. – 10:30

Middles School

Room 207

Middle School

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From Pastor Rich

O: How is the high-tech world—cell phones, online social networks, the Internet—affecting teenage sex?

Dr. Berman: There's a new phenomenon called sexting. A recent survey done by Teenage Research Unlimited found that 22 percent of girls have sent nude or seminude images of themselves to boys on their cell phones, and not necessarily to their boyfriends, even though 75 percent of teens understand that this behavior may be risky. Facebook and other networking sites can get really provocative, and the next tier is the media and MTV, where images of women are very sexualized. So it seems normal to put yourself out there in an overtly sexual way. The social norms have changed, and social access has changed. It's a perfect storm.

Pasted from <<http://www.oprah.com/relationships/Teenage-Sex-Dr-Laura-Berman-on-How-to-Talk-to-Teenagers-About-Sex>>

<http://www.athinline.org/facts/sexting>

MTV's campaign to help stop digital abuse, bullying

<http://www.mtv.com/videos/news/483801/sexting-in-america-when-privates-go-public-part-1.jhtml#id=1631892>

Parents – watch this before you watch it with your confirmand. It is from Mtv and does not have much of moral filter to it and no faith based filter at all. I would classify it as real. It may not be appropriate for our 6th graders, but remember, our 6th graders are part of the middle school culture and the above stats tell us we parents sometimes think our kids don't know what they really know. And as 6th grade progresses they are exposed to more and more ...

My opinion, what our 6th graders face today I dealt with as a junior or senior in high school, what our 7th and 8th grades are exposed too, I did not deal with until College. And sadly, Mtv seems to be years ahead of the church on issues like this.

<http://www.oprah.com/relationships/How-to-Talk-to-Teen-Girls-about-Sex-Dr-Terri-Apters-Advice/1>

Quick 4-point guide to improving parent-teen sex conversations. This one mainly deals with talking to your girls but it's advice is solid and works with boys as well.

I hope some of these resources will help you as parents. My advice, without the little brothers and sisters have a home huddle or two about sexting over the next two weeks. I have broken the ice for you so that should help starting the discussion. Ask your middle schooler what advice Pastor Rich gave them (don't be shocked if they at first say nothing, draw them out).

One thing I warn, do not get mad at them if they have forwarded or received a sext. Part of it is their natural curiosity about sex, part of it is they live in a whole new viral world that frankly I do not fully understand. Treat this as an opportunity to have an important conversation with your child about how much God loves them, how sex is a gift, how some may try to harm them, and peers may manipulate them, but that you are there for them to talk it through.

And so that you know what I have told your children ...

Delete it! Never forward it!

If from an adult, or someone who is a few years older – tell your parents and take it to authorities immediately.

Digital photos and words will always be out there!

God loves you, your body is a temple, treat it that way and do not allow others to do otherwise!

Pastor Rich

Quote

Don't Take anything for granted, because tomorrow is not promised to any of us.
-Kirby Puckett

2010-11 Confirmation calendar

- October: 13th – Small Group Event
- 20th – 6-7:30 Theme Event HT:09 Stewardship: Talents (7-7-:30 Parent Group Meeting)
- 27th – 6-7:30 Middle School Youth Event
- November 3rd 6-7:30 pm. Theme event (7-7:30 Parent Group Meeting)

Middle School Youth Event

Jackie Pratschner is your middle school youth Event leader. She needs help from parent to have a successful year.

Here are the date she needs your help with

October 27th	February 23rd	April 20th
December 22nd	March 23rd	April 27th
January 26th	March 30th	May 25th

October 27th the students want to go to skate land we need parents to drive . Please contact the office 232-4416 or reply to this email.



Home Huddle

Faith everyday in every home equipped every week in church

Share your highs and low

- Read :** Day 1 Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (Oct 6)
- Day 2 Deuteronomy 6:6-7 (Oct 7)
- Day 3 Ecclesiastes 3:1 (Oct 8)
- Day 4 Psalm 90:4-5a (Oct 9)
- Day 5 Psalm 90:10 (Oct 10)
- Day 6 Psalm 90:12 (Oct. 11)
- Day 7 Review Mark 12:28-30 (Oct 12)

Week2

- Day 1 Colossians 4:5-6 (Oct 13)
- Day 2 Esther 4:14b (Oct 14)
- Day 3 Ecclesiastes 7:17 (Oct 15)
- Day 4 Matthew 20:26b (Oct 16)
- Day 5 II Corinthians 6:2 (Oct 17)
- Day 6 Psalm 31:15a (Oct 18)
- Day 7 Review Mark 12:28-30 (Oct 19)

Talk How does this verse relate to our highs and lows and What might God be saying to us today?

Pray Praise, Thanks and Ask

Bless make one another with he sign of the cross on your for head or palm of the hand

(Name), Child of God, Your time is a precious Gift from God. Use it for God's Glory. Amen



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