

Seven Checkpoints for Students

- 1) **Authentic Faith** – You have to believe and trust in Jesus Christ as your personal Savior if you want to go to Heaven. But faith in Christ also allows you to live on earth in a daily relationship with a heavenly Father who loves you unconditionally. As an all-knowing and all-powerful Father you can trust Him to lead you the right way.
- 2) **Spiritual Priorities** – God designed you to have a relationship with Him. Your intimacy with Him will provide the foundation you need to face whatever life can possibly throw at you. Your friendship with Him provides the ultimate fulfillment and security.
- 3) **Moral Boundaries** – Purity paves the way to intimacy. The most important thing you can do is to establish specific guidelines in your dating life. You need to learn how to protect your body and emotions by honoring God’s plan for sex and morality.
- 4) **Meaningful Friendships** – Your friends determine the direction and quality of your life. If you walk with the wise you grow wise. Spending time with the right kind of friends definitely helps you grow in a positive and healthy direction. Scripture also teaches that “The companion of fools will suffer harm (Proverbs 13:20).” Learn to build healthy friendships and avoid unhealthy friends.
- 5) **Wise Choices** – In light of past experience and future dreams, you need to ask yourself, “What is the wise thing to do?” Good decision making is more than simply choosing between right and wrong. It is the skill of applying Scriptural principles so you can make smart choices which will protect your future.
- 6) **Others First** – Scripture teaches that God has created you to do good works and that he has given you unique gifts and talents. Discovering those gifts and using them to make an investment in others is a key to lifelong fulfillment.
- 7) **God-Given Authority** –To have authority you must be under authority. The parents, teachers, and leaders that God has placed in your life are there to guide and guard your potential and life. The greatest lesson you can learn is how to respect and honor those who are in authority over you.