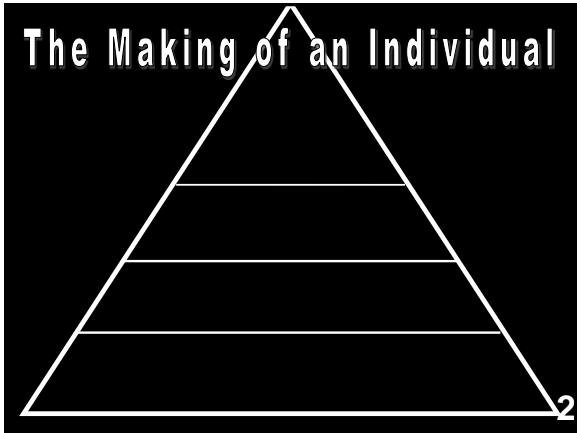
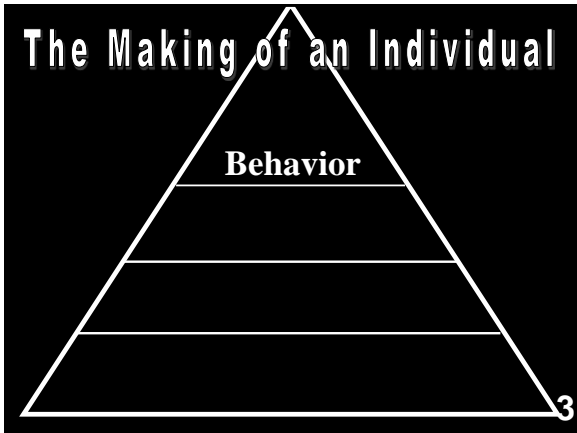


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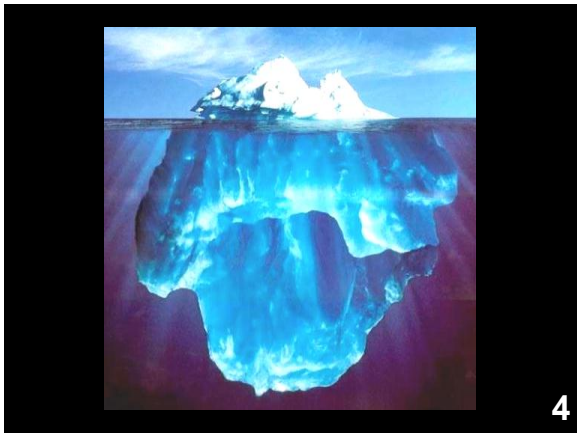
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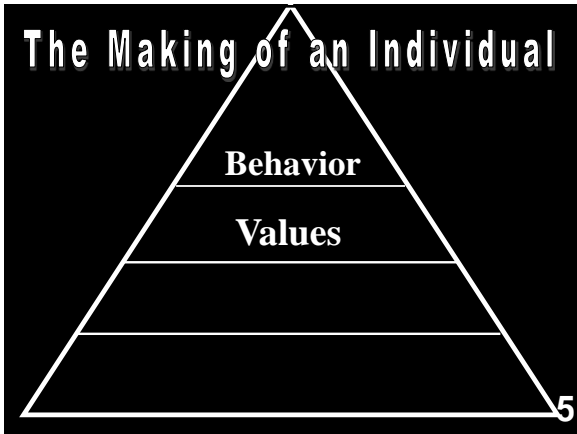
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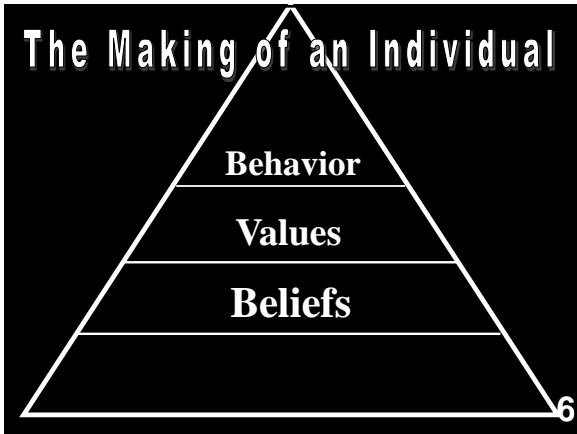
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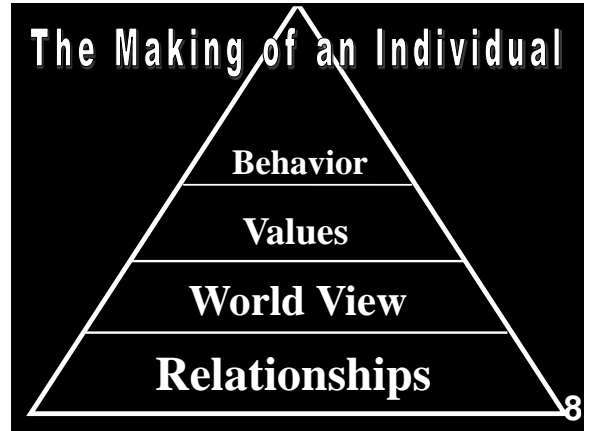
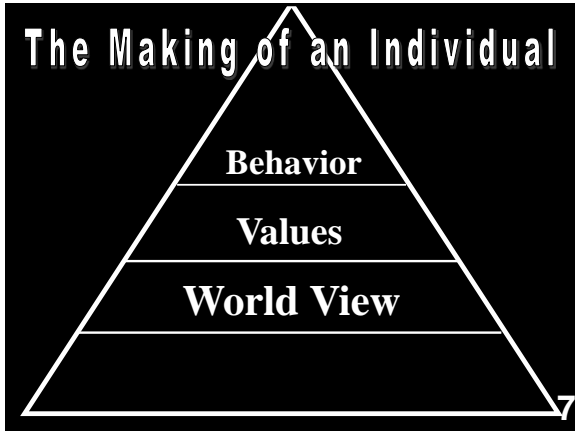
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BORN-AGAIN
“I have personally trusted
Jesus Christ as Savior and
Lord. If I were to die today,
I know I would go to heaven
because He is my Savior
and He has forgiven me
of my sins.”

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ABSOLUTE TRUTH
A truth that exists outside
ourselves, one that is true
for all people, for all
times, for all places.
(Josh D. McDowell)

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Universal Truth

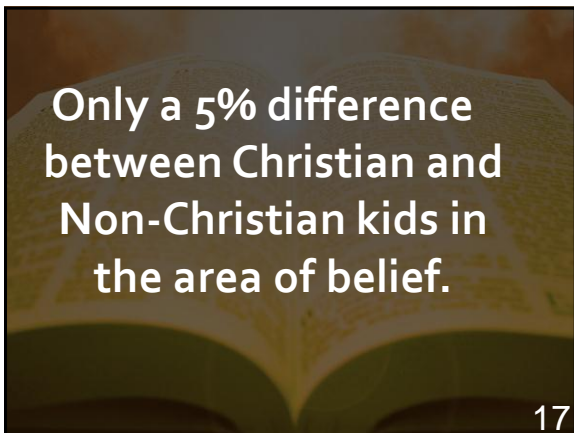
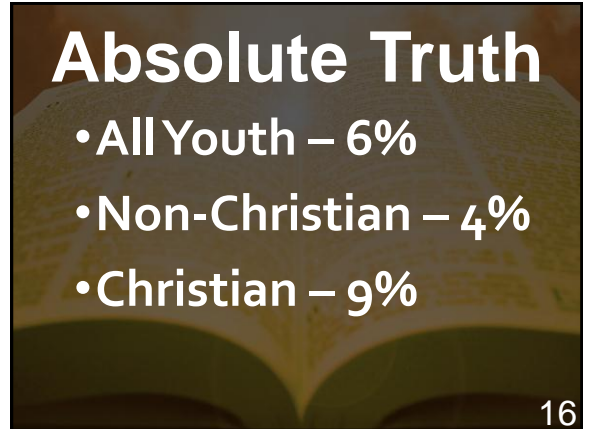
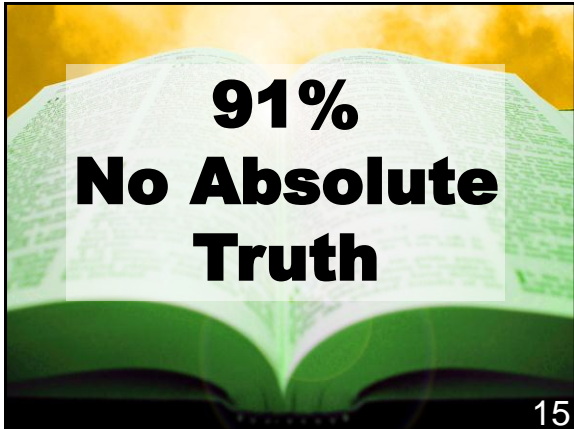
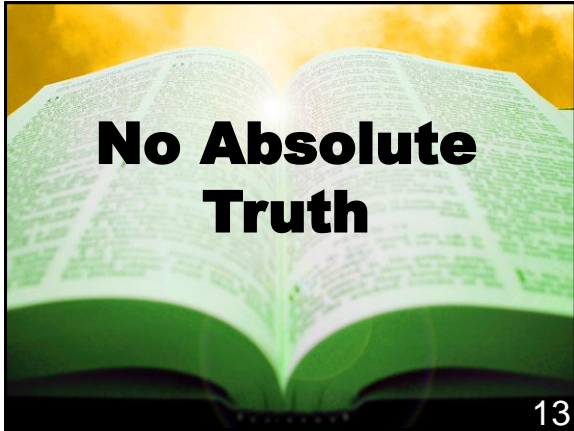
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- All places
- For all time

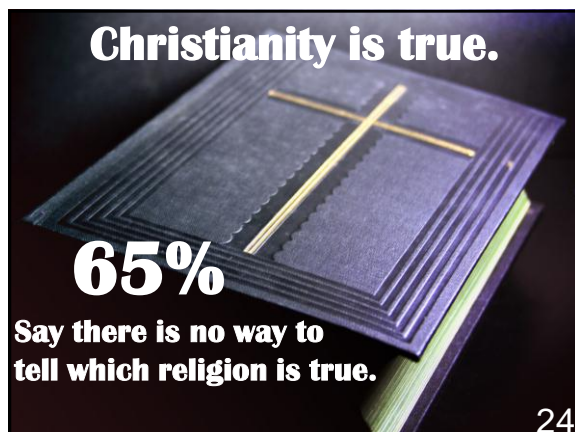
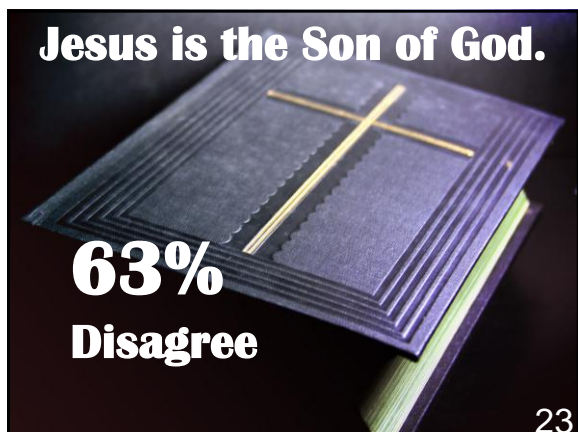
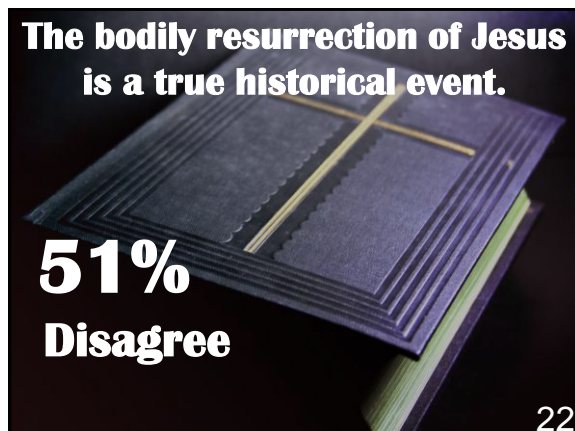
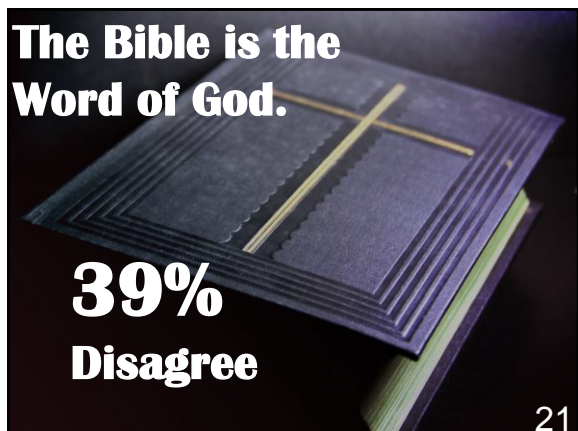
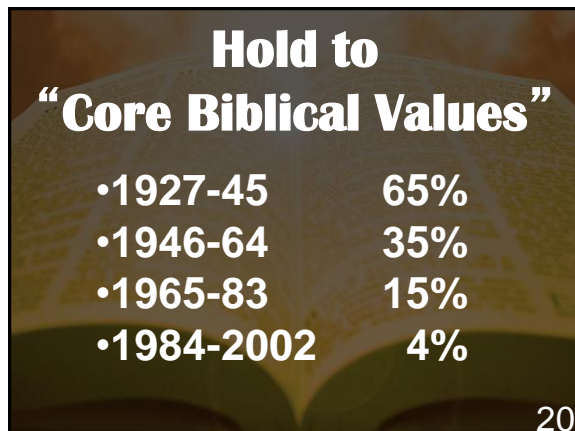
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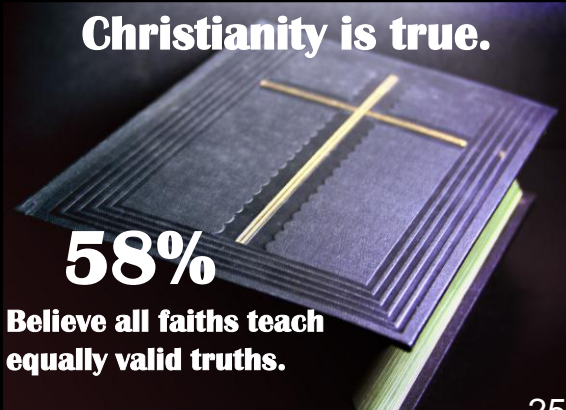
Jesus said...

“... the
TRUTH
will set you free!”

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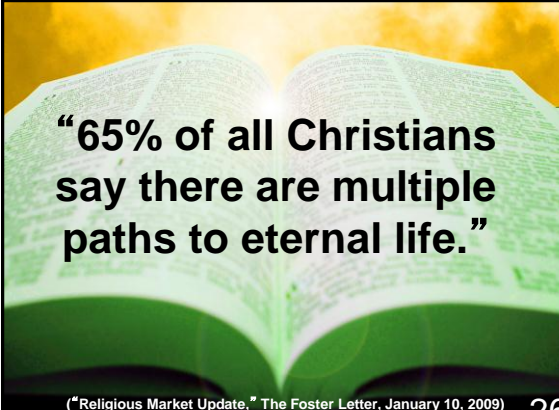


Christianity is true.

58%

**Believe all faiths teach
equally valid truths.**

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**“65% of all Christians
say there are multiple
paths to eternal life.”**

(“Religious Market Update,” The Foster Letter, January 10, 2009)

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**“72% of those who say
many religions lead to
eternal life name at least
one non-Christian religion,
such as Judaism or
Islam...”**

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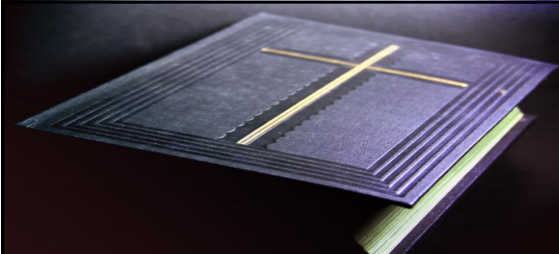
**The Bible is the infallible
word of God.**

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1995 – 10%

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2004 – 4%

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**How did
we get here?**

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**Epistemological
Shift Culturally**

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**TWO
GENERATIONS**

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**TWO
CULTURES**

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Personal Creator God

Created Man

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The Renaissance

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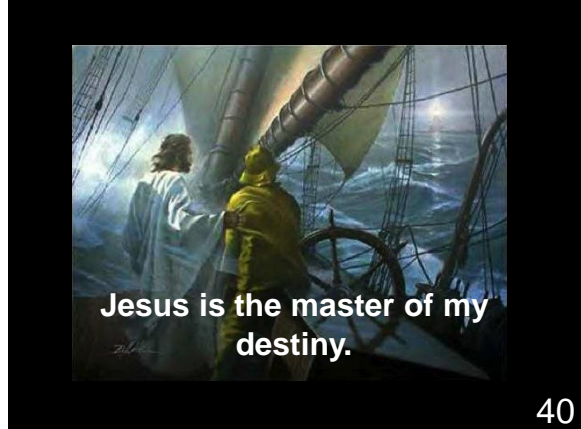
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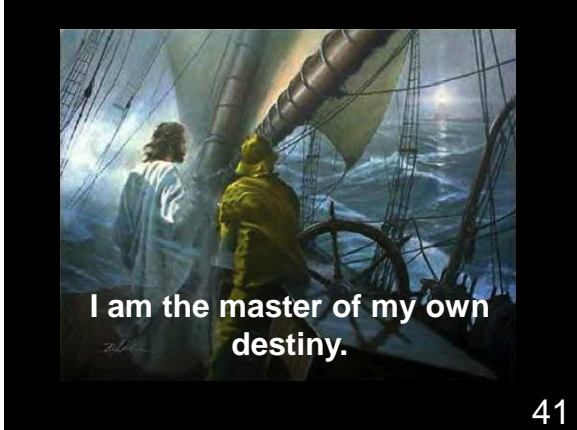
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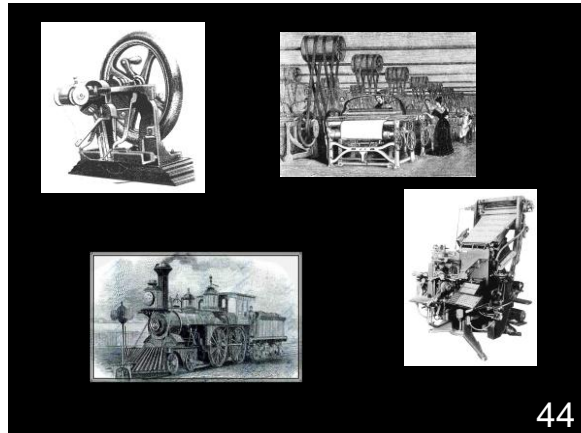
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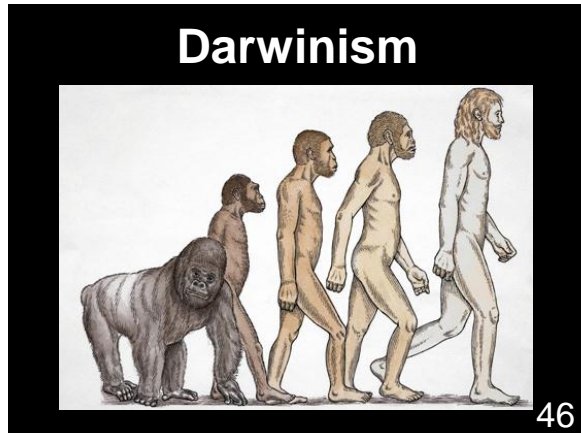
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Multi-culturalism

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Diversity

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Angela Merkel
German Chancellor

Attempts to build a multicultural society in Germany have "utterly failed"

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Nicolas Sarkozy
President of the French Republic

"...Multiculturalism (in France)...is a failure,"

Yahoo News, Multiculturalism has failed, Yahoo News, February 10, 2011

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Nicolas Sarkozy
President of the French Republic

"If you come to France, you accept to melt into a single community...And if you do not want to accept that, you cannot be welcome in France".

"France's Sarkozy: Multiculturalism Has Failed," CBN News, February 11, 2011, <http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/world/2011/February/Frances-Sarkozy-Multiculturalism-Has-Failed/>

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David Cameron
Prime Minister of Britain

"...pronounced his country's long-standing policy of multiculturalism 'a failure'..."

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“It needs a whole new way of thinking.”

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“We have even tolerated these segregated communities behaving in ways that run counter to our values.”

Fox News, “UK’s Cameron: Europe must wake up to extremism”, FoxNews.com, February 05, 2011, <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2011/02/05/uks-cameron-europe-wake-extremism/>

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“We’ve been too cautious, frankly even fearful, to stand up to them.”

Fox News, “UK’s Cameron: Europe must wake up to extremism”, FoxNews.com, February 05, 2011, <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2011/02/05/uks-cameron-europe-wake-extremism/>

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TRUTH DISCOVERED




TRUTH CREATED

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MIND



RELATIONSHIP

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If it is true... it will work.



If it works... it is true.

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Contagious or pervasive skepticism

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2.2 Billion people online



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Time spent online

Year	Time Spent
2000	2.7 hrs/week
2010	18 hrs/week



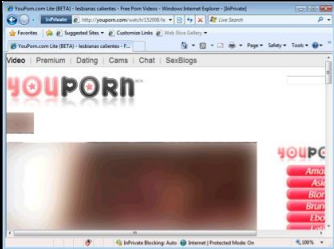
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68% are 25 and under



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43% Pornography



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35% search pornography



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28% download pornography



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US Porn Industry revenues were greater than



COMBINED

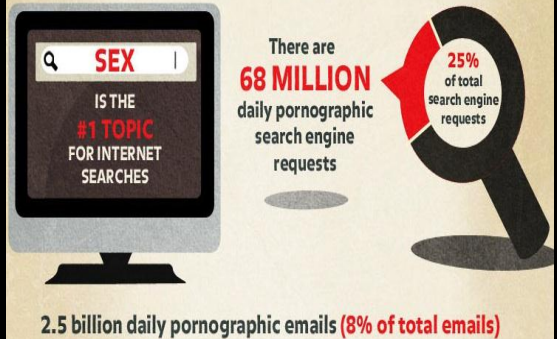
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51% reported visiting a pornography website the week before.

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Daily E-mails

2000 12 Billion 2010 247 Billion



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Text Messages

<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>
400,000	4.5 Billion



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Active Blogs

<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>
12,000	141 Million



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iTunes Downloads

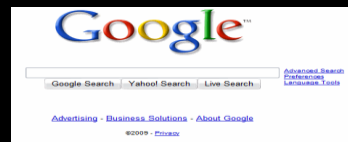
<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>
0	10 Billion



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Daily Google Searches

<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>
100 Million	2 Billion



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One Click away

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What should We do?

1. Start early.
2. Develop loving, intimate connections with your kids.
3. Need to develop convictions.

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If a child does not accept Christ by their 12th birthday, there is only a 4% chance they will later.



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“Transforming Children into Spiritual Champions”
 (George Barna, Ventura, CA: Regal Books, 2003)



“Research regarding all facets of moral and spiritual development—whether related to worldview, beliefs or behavior...”



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“...shows that such a development starts as early as age two.... By age nine, most Children have their spiritual mooring in place.”



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“A majority of Americans make a lasting determination about the personal significance of Christ’s death and resurrection by age 12.”




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“In most cases people’s spiritual beliefs are irrevocably formed when they are pre-teens.”



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Barna’s: Probability of Accepting Christ, Segmented by Age



“In essence, what you believe by the time you are 13 is what you will die believing.”

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Barna's: Probability of Accepting Christ, Segmented by Age

"Most people's minds are made up
and they believe they know what they
need to know spiritually by age 13."

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"America's Teens Who Will End Up as Bible-Believers"

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65% of Builders

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35% of Boomers

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4% of current generation


("Fast Facts," Religious Market Update, March 25, 2009) 89



Barna Research

"A majority of American
youth raised in the
church have left by age
29."


("Why Do You Think You Are?" Christianity Today, February 23, 2009) 90



Barna Research

“The issue for American Christians is less about rioting youth and more about a rising generation whose commitment to Christ may not stand when shaken...

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...And it doesn't take much to shake it before they abandon Christ for lesser loyalties.”

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“Christianity is No Longer Americans' Default Faith”
(George Barna, January 12, 2009)




“Americans are increasingly comfortable picking and choosing ...theological views and discarding the rest of the teachings in the Bible.”



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Why Youth Are Leaving the Church

Among 20-30 year olds:
63% said they would attend church if it presented truth to them in an understandable way “that relates to my life now.”




Lifeway Publishers **94**

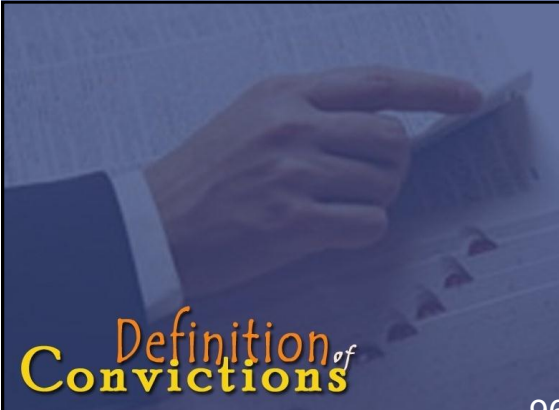
Why Youth Are Leaving the Church

Christianity

- Not True
- Not Relevant
- Not Modeled



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Definition of Convictions

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Not just knowing **WHAT**
you believe but knowing
WHY you believe it and
EXPERIENCE it in your
life.

Definition of
Convictions

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Failed to Develop Convictions

1. The way I was taught
2. Parents
3. Church
4. Seminary

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Failed to Develop Convictions

5. Feel
6. Believe
7. Faith
8. Changed my life

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