I. **WHY ARE OUR 20 SOMETHINGS DROPPING OUT OF CHURCH?**

A. There are a lot of little reasons they are dropping out.

B. There are also three big reasons they are dropping out of church.

1. First, they’re dropping out because of “pluralism.”

2. Second, they’re dropping out because of “relativism.”

3. Third, they’re dropping out because of a loss of “belonging.”

II. **WHAT, IF ANYTHING, CAN WE DO ABOUT OUR YOUNG CHURCH DROPOUTS?**

A. There are three things that we shouldn’t do.

1. First, we shouldn’t try to force our young adults to go to church.

2. Second, we shouldn’t criticize them for not going to church.

3. Third, we shouldn’t nag them to go to church.

B. There are three things we should remember.

1. First, if your child or grandchild has dropped out of church, you aren’t alone.

2. Second, our church dropouts aren’t always hopeless cases.

3. Third, make sure your relationship with God is real.

   a. This means that we must earn the right to talk to our children about the things of the Lord—Deut. 6:5-7.

   b. This also means that we must be sure we’re setting a good example—Proverbs 22:6.