



8th GRADE VIDEO SCRIPTS

8TH GRADE: THE PURITY WEEKEND

Alright. I'm about to tell you something that you are not going to believe. But just hang in there with me, okay? Because this is really important.

You should not have a sex talk with your teenager.

Now don't laugh at me. I'm serious. This is expert parenting advice. *You should not have a sex talk with your teenager.* Don't do it. It's a waste of your time.

Now, you don't want to have a sex talk with your teenager, but what you *do* want to have is an *ongoing conversation* with your teenager about this crucial topic. I promise you they are hearing this topic from others, but they have to hear it from you if they have any hope of being healthy in this area.

We know this can be an awkward and stressful conversation, so we want to help you make the most of this very important time by a Family Experience called "The Purity Weekend." The truth is, as parents we can avoid teaching our teenager a healthy view of sex because it feels like there is a death to our sweet little innocent child that we begin grieving. But you'll eventually grieve even more if you avoid this topic, and there is little in life that can cause more pain to your teenager than an improper view of sex. So the Purity Weekend is a Family Experience that creates an opportunity to set

your teenager up to approach this subject with a healthy view.

We will begin to do this by providing Kick-starters that will 1. Give you tips on approaching this important conversation 2. Will walk you through God's view of sexuality 3. Will give you ideas for striving for God's best in our relationships.

This Family Experience will be a discussion of sex and purity that will take place during a fun weekend trip or event that you will plan with your student. This doesn't take away from how serious and important this discussion is. A trip or fun event will help ease some of that tension.

The first step is to plan your trip. We recommend that this event be with one parent and one teenager. Many families have made this with a father and son or a mother and daughter event. We understand that this is not always possible. It may not be best for your family. Plan something that you can afford, and think of ways to make this a fun, memorable event for both of you. Do this at a place that is both private and comfortable for both of you. A crowded restaurant is not a good idea. At the end of the weekend, give your teenager a symbol to remember this conversation and the commitment you make to one another and to God. Whatever you choose, make it something special and appropriate for the commitment they are making.



We have provided downloadable resources to help you navigate through this weekend. We know that even the most prepared parents can be thrown a curve ball now and then by their teenagers, and because of that, we have created a list of tough questions that teenagers often ask about this topic, along with a biblically based answer so that you're not caught off guard. In the Parent Guide you will find all the steps to make this a meaningful weekend with your teen.

The event, and your openness to talk with and pray with your student will help them see the importance you're placing on this discussion of purity. This will be a gift that will impact your teenager and your family for generations to come.