

# Youth



## ✔ Prepare in Advance

- Retrieve, review, and have ready the video's listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).
- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.

## ✔ False Motives

Show the Leap of Faith Video.

Use these questions to facilitate discussion.

- What was wrong with what the reverend was doing at this revival? How was he trying to trick them? What were likely his motives?
- Are you someone who is skeptical about things such as healings, prophecies, and speaking in tongues? Why or why not?
- How do you judge whether someone has false motives or not when sharing something with you? Do you think the church's main goal is to turn a prophet or care for people? Explain. How would you know the difference?

## ✔ Sharing the Gospel

Read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8.

- How would you relate this passage to the video we saw earlier?
- What type of skepticism was Paul battling with this church? How did Paul try to ease their fears?

Watch the *Bible Background Video* for this session.

- How does Paul's love for the people help to make his message more meaningful?
- What two things does Paul say he has shared with them? Do you think both of those things are necessary to effectively communicate the gospel? Why or why not?
- Why was it so important for Paul to love and care for the people to whom he was ministering?

## ✔ Sharing Yourself

Play the Jerk movie clip.

- If you could only have one or two things that you needed, what would they be?
- Would you classify yourself as an independent person? Why or why not?

- Do you think we need other people? Why or why not?
- How are other people vital to your relationship with God? How are relationships the most important things in your life?
- How would you respond to someone who claimed he/she could follow Christ without going to church or spending any time with other Christians?
- What stops us from sharing ourselves and being vulnerable to others? If sharing ourselves is vital to our faith, how do we overcome those obstacles? How can this group help?

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