

PEER PRESSURE

DARING TO BE DIFFERENT

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Lesson 1

What Is Peer Pressure?

Peer Pressure is the
influence of your friends on
your decisions.

The Influence

- Galatians 2:1–13

The Influence

- **It causes us to do what we normally would not do**
- **It removes our focus from what God wants in our lives (v.13)**
- **It allows others to think for us (vs. 5–6)**

The Influence

- **It promises a false acceptance**
- **It removes our focus from what God wants in our lives**

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Lesson 2

The Basis of Friendship

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- **Proverbs 9:11–12, 18**

Small Group Research

- **Leviticus 25:14–15**
- **2 Samuel 12:1, 7**
- **Job 6:14**
- **Proverbs 17:17**
- **Proverbs 19:4, 6**
- **Proverbs 27:6**
- **Proverbs 27:9**
- **Ecclesiastes 4:10**
- **Ecclesiastes 4:12**
- **Deuteronomy 13:6–10**
- **Psalms 15:3**

The Basis of Friendship

- **1 Samuel 18**

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Lesson 3

Pushed, Pulled, and Squeezed

Group Research

- **Genesis 3:1–6**
- **1 Chronicles 21:1**
- **1 Kings 22:19–22**
- **Acts 5:1–4**
- **Acts 5:27–28, 40**
- **Galatians 2:11–12**

Pushed, Pulled, and Squeezed

- **People influence you when you spend time with them**
 - Proverbs 23:19–21
- **People influence you when you become close friends**
 - Proverbs 22:24–25

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Lesson 4

Battling the Bad

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- **Love and fear God more than your friends**
 - Proverbs 29:25
 - John 12:42–43

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- Romans 12:2

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- **Find friends who won't pressure you to do wrong**
 - 2 Timothy 3:5
 - 1 Kings 12:1–17

Battling the Bad

- Learn to say “no”

Small Group Research

- **Genesis 39:12**
- **1 Kings 22:5–7**
- **2 Samuel 13:11–13**
- **Acts 4:18–20**

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Lesson 5

Harnessing the Good

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- **Decide you will do what God says is right whether anyone else does or not**
 - Daniel 1:8

Harnessing the Good

- **If you find others who will do what God says is right with you, join with them**
 - Daniel 1:6, 11
 - Ecclesiastes 4:12

Harnessing the Good

- **Do what God says is right consistently and others will follow**
 - Daniel 4:34–37; 6:25–27

Harnessing the Good

- **Psalm 119:1–8**

Share a specific way that you
can use positive influence to
glorify God.

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