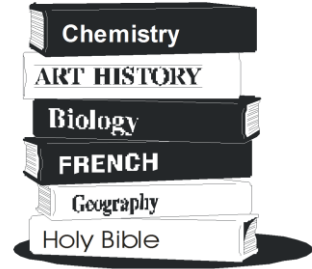


QUESTIONS ABOUT

School

The biggest **CHALLENGES / STRUGGLES**
Christians face @ school:



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TEACHER'S GUIDE

Instructions:

1. Give each student an index card.
2. Then say this:

In a few days you will be headed back to school (say this part only if this devotion is in August). A lot of Christians find that they face some challenges to be the person God wants them to be when they get back into the school setting. On your index card, write down the three biggest challenges you personally face – three temptations or struggles you have when you get back to school. You can list anything you want.

Allow the students to fill the cards out anonymously and urge them to be completely honest and candid.

3. Once the students have filled out the cards and turned them in, share their responses with the entire group. Discuss each answer carefully, probing for more detail about why this problem is such a struggle. Have the students record all of the responses in the first blank on their worksheet.
4. As you discuss each answer, have the students share a Bible passage that offers help or guidance to deal with this struggle. Write these passages next to each response in the blanks that are provided. Emphasize that God's wisdom can help us deal with every struggle.

Observations: Here are some struggles you can expect the students to share.

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| 1. Peer Pressure: | I Corinthians 15:33 |
| 2. Cheating, Lying: | Colossians 3:9-10 |
| 3. Gossip: | Proverbs 20:19, Matthew 7:12 |
| 4. Sexual Immorality: | Galatians 5:19-21 |
| 5. Struggles With Priorities: | Matthew 6:33 |
| 6. Respect For Authority (teachers): | Titus 3:1-2; I Peter 2:17 |
| 7. Laziness, Self Discipline: | Proverbs 24:30-34 |
| 8. Obedience To Parents: | Ephesians 6:1-3 |
| 9. False Teaching (Evolution): | I John 4:1, I Peter 3:13-16 |
| 10. Self-esteem, Self-image: | Psalms 8:3-9 |