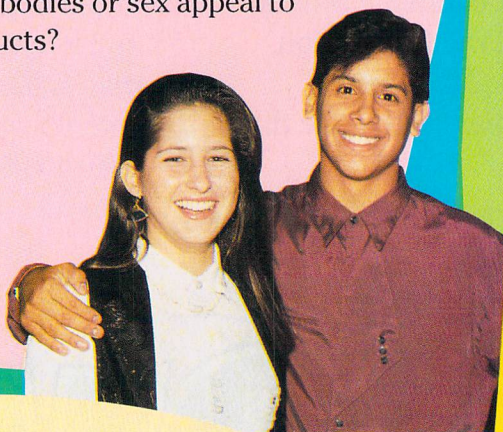




Respecting Our Sexuality

Imagine that an advertising executive is interviewing Jesus today. How might Jesus respond to a question regarding a company's efforts to use women's bodies or sex appeal to allure readers into buying its products?



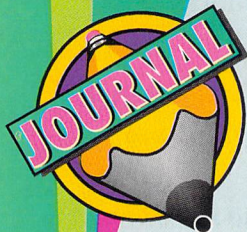
Name this week's "Top Ten" singles and describe what they say about love.

How does their message about "love" compare with the love described by Jesus?

"Top Ten"

Media's Message

Jesus' Message



Name some of the things you do that are signs of your care and respect for someone else. In what ways do these signs show your love and respect for that person?

Prayer for Living God's Way of Love

All: (Sing an appropriate gathering hymn.)

Leader: God, Creator of us all, you have given us bodies so that we can use them for your glory. Help us use our bodies for the good of others. Teach us to learn how to love others by showing care and respect. We ask this in the name of Jesus your Son and our brother.

All: Amen.

Reader: A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord.

Reader: (Read John 13:34-35; 14:15-17, 23-26.)

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Reflect: What is God's word saying today?)

Leader: (Lead the youth in praying the following general intercessions:)

Thank you for giving us our bodies with which to love others.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Help us understand our feelings toward others and treat others with respect.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: (Invite all to share a sign of peace, saying:)

Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

All: (Share a sign of peace. Then pray:)

Our Father . . .

(Conclude by singing an appropriate hymn.)