

Who Loses

I'm worried that he'll dump me.

Giving in and saying yes to sex will solve all your problems, right? It's what you want. It's what the person you're going out with wants. It'll make everything simple, won't it? Maybe not. Thousands of teenagers who said "yes" will tell you they wish they had waited. Even if you don't get a disease or get pregnant, you can still get hurt. Breaking up with someone after you've had sex feels twice as bad.

It got around that I have herpes and now no one will even look at me.

Maybe you think your friends will say you're cool if you have sex. Well, just wait until you catch a sexually transmitted disease. Every year, thousands of teenagers do. And the sex that was supposed to make them so popular, turns them into the school's biggest outcasts overnight.

How can I finish school and take care of the baby, too?

Some teenagers put their trust in "safe sex." Then they find out the hard way that contraceptives can fail. Now, what should be the most enjoyable time of their lives has become nothing but work and responsibility.

Now she's after me to marry her.

Lots of teenagers think having sex means you'll get married. But maybe you don't really love each other that much. Maybe you don't love the idea of being married right now. Then listen to thousands of teenagers who'll tell you it would have been a whole lot easier if they had decided to wait.

SOMETIMES CONDOMS DON'T WORK. WHAT IF I GET AIDS?

Teenagers are getting AIDS at a faster rate than any other group in America. Condoms sometimes break, sometimes slip, or sometimes don't get used at all. Is it worth the risk?

Who Wins...

Abstinence provides freedom from

- ...being used
- ...AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases
- ...pregnancy
- ...hurry-up school or career decision
- ...hurry-up marriage decision
- ...abortion, birth, adoption decision
- ...guilt

Abstinence provides freedom to

- ...understand our human sexuality
- ...maintain self respect
- ...develop friendships
- ...plan future
- ...resist temptation
- ...make a permanent commitment
- ...act out of love not lust

We'll Help You Win Project Respect

Our speakers are young teens, teachers, counselors and health care professionals. They can tailor a presentation to meet the needs of your classroom, school, social club or church group.

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