

## Peer Pressure Bible Study

**Proverbs 1:10** “My child, if sinners try to lead you into sin, do not go with them.”

- Do you know how to say no? Think about a time when you had to say no because someone was asking you to do something wrong.

**Proverbs 4:14-15** “Don’t do as the wicked do, and don’t follow the path of evildoers. Don’t even think about it; don’t go that way. Turn away and keep moving.”

- Did you know that your thoughts have power? You can change your actions with your thoughts. You can use your thoughts to resist the urge to do the wrong thing.

**1 Corinthians 15:33** “Do not be deceived: Bad company ruins good morals.”

- This verse means that you need to pick your friends wisely. Even if you are a good person, it’s hard to say no to your friends. Choose friends who will do the right thing.

**Romans 12:2** “Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.”

- When we let God’s love grow in our hearts, it begins to change us. It becomes easier for us to see God’s plan for our lives.

What are three unkind things you see classmates or friends doing?

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
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Name a time when you felt pressured to do something you knew wasn’t right because your friends were doing it.

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Who are some of your friends who help you do the right thing?

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**Prayer:**

Dear God, give me the courage to say no if someone tries to get me to do something that I know is wrong. Help me to think about things that you want me to think about. Keep my thoughts loving, honest, and just. God, do not let me be influenced by people who do not respect you, but instead help me to pray for them. Thank you for the promise of ALWAYS providing me an escape route when I feel pressured to do the wrong thing. Help me look for it when I need it the most. Show me who I should and who I should not be hanging around. Help me to pray for friends who are choosing to do wrong things. Help me to love them, too. Show me how I was made to live for you! Amen.