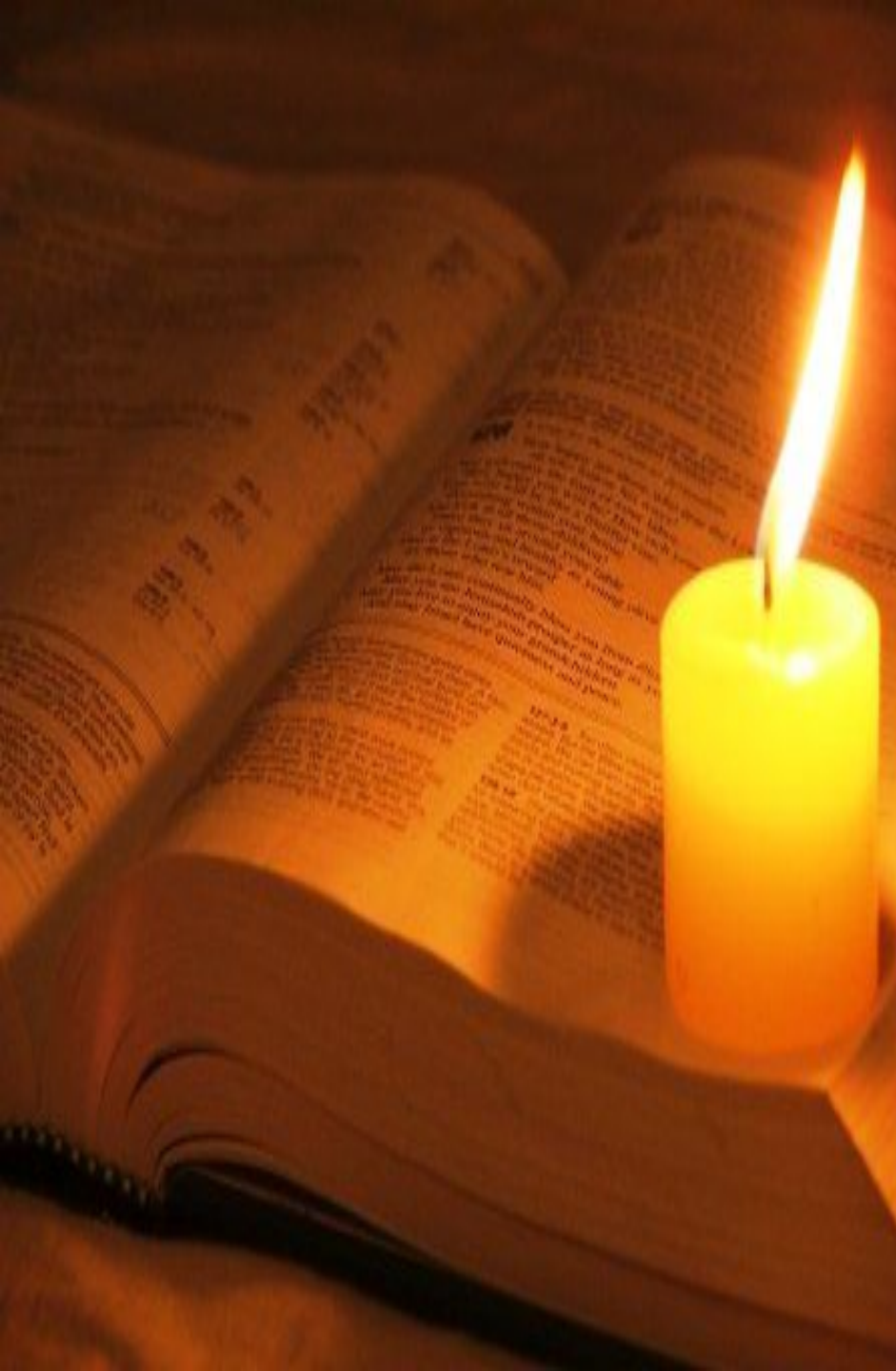


- Do not be deceived: “Evil company corrupts good habits.” 34 Awake to righteousness, and do not sin; for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame.

1 Corinthians 15:33-34

- And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:2



Now when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed; 12 for before certain men came from James, he would eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. 13 And the rest of the Jews also played the hypocrite with him, so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy.

Galatians 2:11-13

What is Peer Pressure?



- Peer pressure is when we feel we have to act a certain way because we want to fit in and be accepted by certain people.
- Peer pressure is the powerful feeling of pressure from someone your own age that can push you toward making certain choices, good or bad.
- Peer pressure can take a number of different forms, both spoken and unspoken, and can lead to risky, disapproved, or personally unwanted behavior

Unspoken Peer Pressure

The Huddle	The Look	The Example
<p>Group stands together talking or laughing, maybe looking at something you can't see, with their backs out to others</p>	<p>Kids who think they're cool give a look that means: "We're cool and you're not"</p>	<p>Popular kids simply buy or wear or do something, and because they set an example, others want to follow.</p>

Spoken Peer Pressure

Rejection	Put Down	Reasoning
<p>Threatening to leave someone out or end a friendship</p>	<p>Insulting or calling names to make someone feel bad.</p>	<p>Giving reasons to do something or why it would be OK to do it.</p>

Group Activity

1. Get in your groups
2. Read the situation and answer the questions:
 - What type of peer pressure is this?
 - What is at least one way this situation could have been different?
 - Discuss with the group and have 1 person present the answer to the rest of us.

