



Group Discussion Questions

For Group Leaders: *To Save A Life* provides numerous opportunities for questions, personal reflection and discussion. The following questions can help individuals or groups process the themes and issues from the movie.

Copy and distribute this sheet to those who would like to participate.

Note: A digital version of this page is available on the Movie Event DVD-ROM.

Before you begin this discussion, pray together: *God, please help us see what you want to show us through this movie and to learn how to love people like you love them.*

1. Which character of *To Save A Life* are you the most like? Why? Which character are you the least like? Why?

2. At Roger's funeral, the pastor said sometimes we have to choose to trust God, even in the midst of pain. Give an example from your life when you've made that choice, or a time when you couldn't bring yourself to trust God. **Read Psalm 77:1-12.**

3. Have you ever been in Jake's situation, i.e., given a choice between friendship and the chance to be popular? Have you been on the other side of this situation—someone ignored or abused you to protect their popularity? Have you been in Amy's position where you encouraged someone to ignore someone else?

4. Amy's response to the Wizard Wars party humiliation was, "It's funny!" Share an experience of when you witnessed people hurting others because it was "funny." Why do you think people do it? What issues arise because of it? **Read Proverbs 12:18, Proverbs 15:4, James 3:1-10.**

5. When Jake's friends ditched him at the party, he called Chris instead of his parents because they "would freak out." Who would you call in an emergency? Why that person? Are there people in your life that you think God might have placed there to help you out? **Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12.**

6. Chris said that "God gets blamed for a lot of things these days." Do you agree with this? If God isn't to blame, who is? **Read John 10:10, Jeremiah 29:11.**

7. Christ-followers can sometimes appear judgmental and act like they're better than everyone else. But when Jake calls Andrea "perfect," Andrea reminds him that there are "different kinds of dirt." How can a Christian teen make friends with and relate to non-Christians without compromising what they know is right? **Read 1 Corinthians 9:21-22.**

8. Chris told Jake to "ask yourself what you want your life to be about," and at one point, Jake asks the youth group, "What's the point of all this if you're not going to let this change you?" What do you want your life to be about? **Read Ephesians 4:22-32.** What will you do in the coming weeks to make sure you're growing spiritually and not just "going through the motions"?

9. Jake slowly realized sex, drinking and having fun wouldn't give his life the meaning and purpose he craved. **Read Romans 13:12-14.** What things, people or activities in your life may be preventing you from finding your purpose?

10. Jake's parents clearly didn't understand some things going on in Jake's life. What do parents and teens typically misunderstand about each other? Share some ideas of how teens and parents could begin to understand each other better.

Hopefully your time together has given you some food for thought. Before you leave, take some time to pray for each other. Ask God to reveal changes that you need to make in your life and to give you the motivation and strength to do what's right, even when it's difficult.

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