

# **Family Discussion Guide**

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#### **PRAYER**



You don't see much prayer in most Hollywood films. What kinds of prayer did you see in this film, and how well did it reflect the reality of prayer in a Christian's life? Rachel has a season during which she says she doesn't feel close to God – why do you think that was the case?



Read Matthew 6:9-15; 1 Peter 3:7 and 5:6-7



Looking at Jesus' prayer in Matthew, how are the aspects of this prayer reflected in the film? How are you to enact God's will on earth as it is in heaven? Why does persistent sin hinder prayer? How does the humility of repentance free us to communicate deeply with God?

### REBELLION



What do you think is the source of Rachel's rebellion? What seemingly small choices lead her into deeper trouble? Describe the steps that led Eric from bullied kid to mass murderer. In what important ways were Rachel and Eric's experiences similar, and how did they differ?



Read James 1:13-15; 1 John 1:8-9; and contrast Proverbs 8:34-36 with John 10:7-10



How are lust, sin, and death linked? What distinguishes "wanting" something from "lusting" for it? How can the progression of sin be stopped? What is the connection between rejecting God's wisdom and loving death? Why does following Jesus bring abundant life?

### **IDENTITY AND INFLUENCE**



With what images or stereotypical groups did Celine, Alex, Eric, Rachel and other students identify themselves? How did each chosen identity guide the actions of these people? What did each do to gain "converts" to his or her way of life?



Read Romans 1:28-32; Galatians 2:20; Matthew 5:14-16 and 1 Peter 3:15



Why have some people, who embody many of the traits Romans describes, become cultural influencers – a person others identify with? How does our culture encourage evil? What does it mean to be "crucified with Christ"? How should identifying with Jesus change a person's actions? Why is gentleness important when Christians share their faith?

### **PERSECUTION**



Early on, why was Rachel easily able to go along with her non-Christian friends? When Rachel finally makes a firm commitment to follow Jesus, what apparently negative consequences initially follow? What positive changes occur immediately and later? How has Rachel's death impacted others?



Read John 15:18-20; 1 Peter 4:12-14, 19; and 2 Corinthians 4:17-18



What is "the world" as used in John? Why does following Jesus bring hatred from the world? What does persecution of Christians look like in western nations? What does it mean to trust God in the midst of suffering? Read stories at www.persecution.com. How does God work through the suffering of His followers? How can having an eternal perspective make suffering bearable?







