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Church? You've got to be kidding. The Church isn't real life. It's nothing like what I go through every day. I go to Mass, but I don't feel close to God there. I'm not interested in church or church talk. I need something that works in my life now—today. Maybe when I get older I'll be interested in churchy stuff, but for now I want to really live.

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Many teens feel the Church isn't relevant to their lives, and think that if they follow Christ their quality of life will somehow suffer. But Jesus said that he came so we might have life in abundance. He understands real life. He understands our struggles and fears—he's been through many of them himself! And he satisfies the deepest hungers of our hearts.

How can you, as a teen following Jesus, share your faith with friends who feel that God and the Church are outdated?

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I want to do things that count. My life isn't a dress rehearsal. What I do here counts for all eternity. There's no way I'm going to waste my time on things that don't really matter, like money, things, and appearances. They don't mean anything to God. The way I can make a difference in the world is by loving God and loving people.

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Sometimes we forget what life really means. We get caught up buying things that don't matter to impress people we don't even like. In the end, we will be judged by how well we lived the two principal commandments of the Kingdom: loving God with all our heart, mind, and strength, and loving others as ourselves. This is how we are fulfilled.

How do you want to be remembered
at the end of your life?

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