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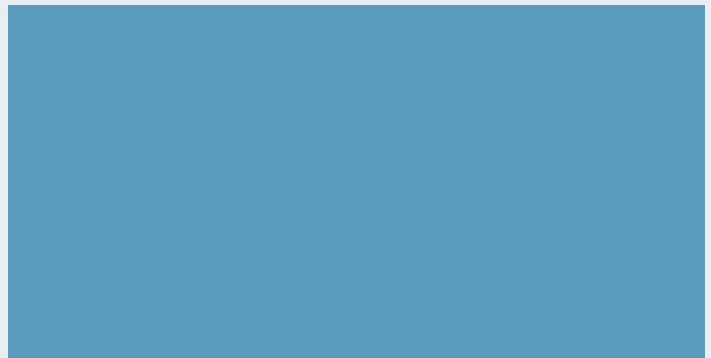
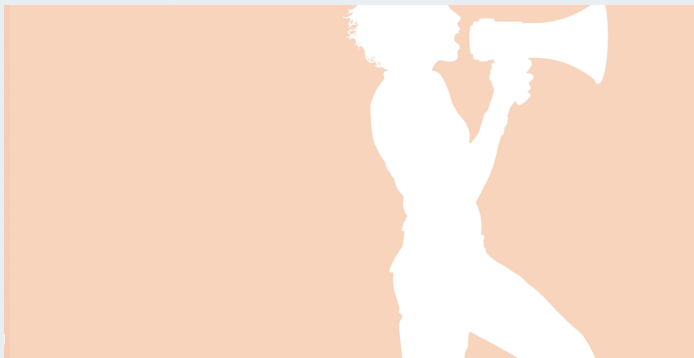
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Video Title:

BARLOW GIRLS

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Theme

Relationships

Scriptures

**Romans 12:1-2, 1 Timothy 2:9,
1 Thessalonians 4:1-8**

Objective

At the end of this Bible Study your students should have wrestled with how much to invest into conforming to the standards of the world or into allowing God to mold their lives.

Warm Up

The following are agree/disagree activities: Have your students stand in the middle of the room and go to your left (their right) if they agree and the opposite way if they disagree with the following statements. No one can stay in the middle. Choose one or two people per side to explain their reason(s) for their stance.

1. How a girl dresses makes a suggestion about her sexual activity.
2. A guy should never judge a girl by her clothing or lack thereof.
3. Modesty means unattractive.

4. If a couple is starting to get physical, the girl draws the line where to stop.
5. Going through high school and not dating anyone would be unnatural.
6. Most high school relationships end in break-up.

Video

Tell your group, "You might be surprised by the point of view that you are going to see expressed in the video we are about to watch called Barlow Girl by the band Superchic[k]. Listen carefully to the words and see if you agree or disagree with them."

NOTE TO LEADER: AT THIS POINT WE SUGGEST THAT YOU SEPARATE GUYS AND GIRLS WITH MEMBERS OF THEIR OWN GENDER LEADING THE REST OF THE BIBLE STUDY.

Please, do not let the girls see the "guy's" handout, and visa versa! Cover up that side of the page prior to copying and instruct the students to use the blank side to answer the questions.

Transition

Distribute the Student Guide sheets. Ask: What issues are being addressed by the band in this song? What message are they giving to other kids and particularly girls?

Bible Study Girls Track

Ask your girls to take a look at the "Molded or Stamped" section of the student guide. Tell them, "The world wants to make you in its image. It wants you to adopt its way of thinking, its morals, and its ethics. God, on the other hand, desires to mold you into an object of true beauty and worth, someone who has not merely the external going for them, but the internal as well. Let's take a look at some hard questions about what this might look like to us.

As you go through the student guide, make sure to avoid the urge to draw conclusions for your young ladies. Be aware that many girls have only a vague idea of how boys really think. You may also get a lot of disagreement within your group between those who like to push the style and relationship envelope and those who don't.

Girls Wrap Up

Pass out a slip of paper and pencil to each girl. Ask her to privately write down at least one thing that she will change in life based on today's Bible study. Close in prayer.

Bible Study Guys Track

Ask your guys to read the SHE GOT THE LOOK, SHE GOT THE HOOK section of the Student Guide, as well as the passages of Scriptures found there — and then jump into a discussion of the questions that follow. Feel free to add any other questions that might come up. Ask your guys to help compose an OPEN LETTER to Christian girls. Help them to make it a frank but genuine attempt to help girls understand how guys think and see things.

Guys Wrap Up

Get a basket, pencils and slips of paper. Pass out the slips of paper and pencils to the guys and ask them to consider prayerfully what, as a normal guy, surrounded by girls who often don't have much of a clue to a guy's mind or sometimes much of a moral base, he could do to avoid temptation. Ask each guy to write down suggestions on the slips of paper of how to avoid temptation. Collect them and then read what your guys have written. Close in prayer asking God to give these young men the strength to live by God standards.

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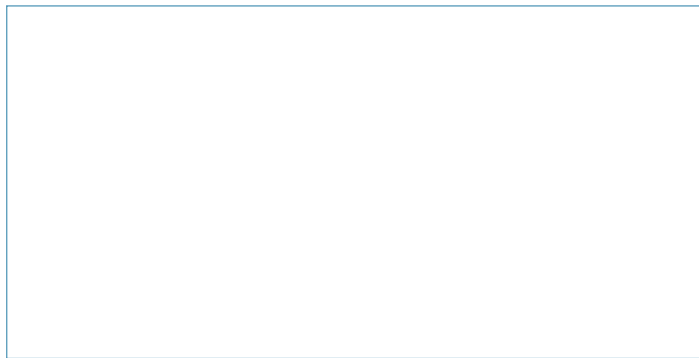
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MOLDED or STAMPED? (Girls Only)

Read **Romans 12:1-2**
What is your body to be?

What does to be "conformed" to the world mean?

Read **1 Timothy 2:9**
What does to be "modest" mean in our culture?

Is modesty a moving fence?
If so, how does one determine what is modest or immodest?

If you knew that particular outfits made guys think of you as a sex object, would you wear it? Why or why not?

Is there any kind of dress or style that gives the message to guys that a girl might have low morals? What would that be?

Some girls think that any problem a guy has with how a girl dresses is his problem not hers. Do you agree? Why or why not?

Who should determine what is modest and what is immodest?

What does having inner beauty require?

Read **1 Thessalonians 4:1-8**
What is the difference between the will of God and the standard of the world?

Would you date a guy if you knew in advance that it wouldn't lead to any kind of long-term relationship? Why or why not?

What are the benefits of a high school girl having a "steady," serious relationship vs. the benefits of hanging out with guys, but not getting serious with anyone?

What percentage would you guess of "heavy" relationships end up in wrong sexual practices?

What Do YOU Think?

What would be needed for a girl to be attractive but not sexual; friends with lots of guys, but steady with no one throughout high school?

Could you do it? Would you be better off if you could?

She Got the Look, She Got the HOOK (Guys Only)

Read **Romans 12:1-2, 1 Timothy 2:9** (Understand that Paul is giving examples of modesty in his culture in this passage) and **1 Thessalonians 4:1-8**.

Do you think girls know what happens in your head if they dress a certain way? Why or why not?

If you had a little sister that you loved and cared about – would you say something to her or your parents if you thought she was going out of the house dressed too provocatively (especially since you understand how guys think)? Why or why not?

Should girls try to conform to the fashion of the day or should they draw a line on what is too radical or revealing? How would they know what is too much?

Which do you think has higher sexual morals; girls or guys? Why?

Would you rather date one girl or be good friends with a lot of them and keep the intimacy until you were ready to make good on a marriage promise?

What would you say if you really liked a girl but she told you that she wanted to be your friend, but not "girlfriend," until you were able to make good on a marriage promise? Would you still hang out with her? Would you respect her more or less?

A girl is dressed in such a way that is obviously attracting a lot of "attention" from guys. What, instead of taking a long look, should you do?

An Open Letter

Write an open, but anonymous, letter to girls telling them the facts of life about how guys think and what girls can do to make them distracted or make them honor them.