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The Danger of Conforming to the World

- **Peer Pressure:**
 - “*Social pressure by members of one’s peer group to take a certain action, adopt certain values, or otherwise conform in order to be accepted.*”
 - Desire to fit in = **Compromising convictions, character, example**

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- **Desiring to conform to the world can:**
 - **Compromise our service to God:**
 - **Prov. 1:10; 12:26; 1 Cor. 15:33; 2 Cor. 6:14; James 4:4**
 - **Compromise our example:**
 - **Matt. 5:14-16; 1 Tim. 4:12**
 - **Change who we seek to please:**
 - **John 12:43, Rom. 2:29**

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- **Examples:**
 - **Maintain faith and character despite ungodly influences: Dan. 1:8 (Daniel), 3:16-18 (Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego); Gen. 39:1-12 (Joseph)**
 - **Remain focused on fulfilling the Father’s will: Jesus – Psm. 22:6-8; Heb. 12:1-3**

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Remember to be an <u>Example!</u>	The Danger of Conforming to the World	You must be <u>Consistent!</u>
People of faith NEVER stand alone – God is ALWAYS with us		
You will <u>Stand Out</u>, and that’s <u>Good!</u>		Remember <u>You Serve the Lord!</u>

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