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### Hey Searchlight Parents!

Our youth ministry is starting a new teaching series about relationships this Wednesday called, "Swipe Right," and we want you to be aware of some of the discussion we'll be having with your teenagers. Some of the most powerful forces on Earth are love, sex, and romance. In fact, relationships are a matter of life-and-death importance. So how you can train today for the relationship you want tomorrow? God's plans for your life are not intended to kill your joy but to enhance it. You won't want your teenager to miss this series, Swipe Right.

**For the first week of this series, our small group discussion will be based off a 10-minute video teaching from Levi Lusko, pastor, author, and creator of this series.** His teaching on these topics is very straightforward, honest, and engaging. I would definitely encourage you to give it a watch yourself so you know what we talked about. The link to the video is [here](#). If it goes over well, we'll show the following teaching videos in the upcoming weeks (which you are able to watch as well).

In the past, our students have really responded well to any series we've done on relationships. I understand that the topic of sex is awkward; your teenager might come back into your car screaming, "Pastor Matt said SEX!" or they might simply respond with, "Fine," when you ask how youth group went. The rest of the world is talking about it, our students are talking about it, and so we aren't afraid to talk about God's view of sexuality in church. Trust me that it won't be graphic or anything like that; it's in conjunction with our Sunday series, "Love Songs," so if your teenager is sitting through the regular Sunday sermon content, it'll be just as appropriate on Wednesday nights!

Like I said, definitely give the video a watch so you have an understanding of what we're talking about, and feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have. Our goal is to empower students to live and love like Jesus in every area of their lives. **At the end of the first week, I'll challenge your teen to download the Bible App, friend their youth leader and peers on the Bible App, and start reading the "Swipe Right" Bible Devotional with their small group throughout the week.** This will be a great Wednesday night series that can positively impact your teenager!

Feel free to contact me with any questions!

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