



PUREHOPE



Christian Solutions in a Sexualized Culture

AGE-APPROPRIATE TALKING POINTS

BIRTH TO 5 YEARS

- Remember you are your child's protector
- Teach body privacy
- Discourage secrets and secret friends
- Show affection and build trust
- Watch for red flags: sudden changes in habits; withdrawal; inappropriate fears or behavior

EARLY ELEMENTARY

- Teach basics of physical boundaries
- Express feelings appropriately
- Showing respect for others
- Give permission to say "No!"

UPPER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Remind them they are smart and capable
- Discuss choosing friends
- Guard against exposure to sexual content
- Cultivate dialogue and conversation about feelings
- Warn about seductions and tricks
- Discuss the myths of pornography
- Guide appropriate dress and self-respect
- Create a tech strategy
- Listen!

HIGH SCHOOL

- Be your teen's parent, not their friend
- Help set healthy sexual boundaries
- Establish courting/dating boundaries
- Discuss gender identity in God's purposes
- Get to know your teens friends and their parents
- Prepare them for situations they may face
- Discuss sex, pornography, and technology calmly and frequently
- Help them understand sexual abuse and rape
- Maintain boundaries on dress and behavior
- Model the pursuit of purity in your own life