How to Have a Successful Life after Graduation

| What you'll need for this session: Your Bible, good worry skills and a poster of Jessica Alba or Johnny Depp. | | |
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| ⇒ Step 1 – Celebrate. | | |
| ⇒ Step 2 – Start Worrying. | | |
| My immediatge plans after graduation are to: | □ go to a vocational college. □ go to a community college. □ go to a community college, then transfer to a university. □ join the circus and become a clown □ go to a Bible College. | ☐ go to a Christian College. ☐ go to a Secular College ☐ work, with no college plans. ☐ work, then start college in 20 ☐ serve in the Military, then college. ☐ win the Lottery and retire at 18. |
| Step 3 – Get inspired. Step 4 – Worry about what's the most important thing to worry about. | | |
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| My fellowship plans for the fall: | □ I'm staying in town and want to □ stay at my current church, but find a new group (college group, etc.) □ stay in the Youth Group until I'm 25. □ visit other churches around town. | ☐ I'll be leaving town and will be ☐ looking for a campus ministry ☐ looking for a new church ☐ looking for both ☐ looking for my soul mate |
| ⇒ Step 5 – Study yo | our Bible. | |
| • Read 1 Corinthians 12:14-20, 26-27 | | |
| Based on what Paul says here, how significant are you in the body of Christ? | | |
| Are there any insignificant people in the body of Christ? | | |

Do you think Paul believes that a Christian can even survive apart from the body of Christ? If not, how important is it to you to be connected to a local body of believers?

• Read Ephesians Eph 2:19-20; 3:6; 4:25; 5:29-30.

What word or phrase do they all have in common?

If you are a member of this invisible body, what do you need to receive from other Christians and what do you need to give?

• Read Heb 10:24-25

Who in you life "spurs you on" to be a better Christian? How exactly do they encourage you?

How would your spiritual life be affected if you weren't around them?

Why do think the writer of Hebrews wants to make sure the believers keep meeting regularly?

He says that some believers are in the habit of not getting together. What kind of things would keep you from meeting regularly with other Christians?

• Read Galatians 6:10

Based on what you've learned from Ephesians, why do you think God wants us to give believers priority over other people?

What does the word "family" mean to you?

What do you think the word "family" means to God?

What kind of family do you want to participate in?

• Read 1 Corinthians 15:33

How do Paul's comments relate to your need for fellowship?

Summary: Remember, you didn't just graduate from high school, you also graduated from your fellowship group. Your Christian life will grow greatly if you surround yourself with like-minded followers of Jesus.

Next Session: What kind of Christian community are you looking for ?