



**FROM THE BIBLE**  
Romans 12:3-5 (NLT)  
Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)

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## MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

Week 2 | Lift Your Influences!

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1. In this message, Joel started out by asking the question, *have you ever done something stupid before?* He gave an example of being 10 years old and him and his buddy driving to the store for Tastecakes. What's something stupid you did in your childhood?
2. We are all responsible for our own stupid stories in our past but would you agree that sometimes, you were influenced to do those things by the people around you? Why or why not?
3. In this message, our goal was to help you *lift the influences* in your life so you can make gains in 2020. Take a few minutes and discuss this key point from the message : *you won't live the right life with the wrong friends.*
4. Read Romans 12:3-5. What is "Christ's body"? After discussing what "Christ's body" is, discuss what the line "we all belong to each other" means in terms of influence within the church.
5. Read Matthew 9:18-26 (focus on verse 24). What did Jesus say to the people who didn't believe Him & laughed at Him? How does this apply to people in our life who have a pattern of not believing in us?
6. One concept we talked about in this message is, *you gotta say 'get out!' to the wrong people and you gotta say 'get in' to the right people.* Have you ever had to do this in your life? What was the result?
7. In life, we have *fans, hecklers, & coaches.* What do you remember about each category?
8. We believe that everyone needs *fans* because we can't do life solo (even the Lone Ranger had Tonto)! Who are some of your fans? How can the church be this?
9. Read Proverbs 27:17 and discuss what *coaches* are? Who are some of your coaches? Are there some areas you need to add coaches in your life?
10. How did this message impact the influences in your life?