

## THE YOUNG HEART CAN BE A GOD HEART

*There are several things to consider as we go back to school this fall.*

- Younger People have just as much opportunity to shine as older people do.
- Your story matters - no one walks exactly where you do/or how you do. You are one of a kind.
- There is a God-chemistry that follows His children wherever we go. He is always with us. No matter our age.
- The choices we make to watch, listen, and pray are huge!
- The world is changed one person at a time - and you are surrounded by people who need what Jesus offers!

***Some strong younger men and women in the Bible (see if you can find their stories):***

*What are some of the things you can take from each teen regarding being a Jesus follower?*

Jesus' mother *Mary* was a teen-ager. Luke 1

*Esther* was a newly married teen-ager. Esther 2

*Isaac* was a teen when Abraham prepared to offer him as a sacrifice. Genesis 22

*Joseph* was a teen-ager when he was betrayed his brothers. Genesis 37

*Samuel* was a child when he first heard God speak. 1 Samuel 3

*Daniel* was a teen-ager. As were *Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego*. Daniel 1-2

*David* was a teen-ager when he was called from tending sheep to fight Goliath. 1 Samuel 17

*Timothy* was a spiritual son of the Jesus-follower Paul. Both of the letters to Timothy are filled with insight into how someone who is younger can shine for the Kingdom. 1 & 2 Timothy are great letters for Juniors/Seniors :)

*Check it out - you don't need to wait to become an adult in order to shine!*

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