

HALF TRUTHS

Let Your Conscience Be Your Guide

WARM UP

What is one of your biggest pet peeves? (You know, the stuff that isn't wrong but drives you nuts!)

SET IT UP

A half-truth can be dangerous because it has enough truth to make it sound believable and enough error to mess up your life if you really buy into it. Is it really a good idea to "let your conscience be your guide?" Let's talk about it.

CHAT IT UP

1. **Have you ever ignored a warning sign like a light on your dash, a literal sign, or alarming words or behavior?**
2. **How would you define the conscience?** (Conscience: "Your Right and Wrong Alarm.")
3. **Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-5. Why doesn't Paul care if they judge him trustworthy?** (Answer: His conscience is clear. See verses 3-4.)
4. **Is that enough to make Paul innocent?** (Answer: No. Only God can judge. Note verse 4.)
5. Jason said that a conscience can be a lot of things. (1) Conflicted (because you do what you don't want to do), (2) Calloused (hardened and unflinching), and (3) Corrupted (triggered based on bad data). **Does that surprise you? Why or why not?**
6. **Is there an area where your conscience was "corrupted?" When you thought something was wrong when it wasn't. Or that something was good or harmless when it was bad?**
7. **True or False: You should always let your conscience be your guide.**
8. **Share about a time God used your conscience to keep you from making a mistake.**

WRAP IT UP

Your conscience isn't your guide. Your conscience needs guidance. Take some time this week to "calibrate" your conscience with truth. If you don't know where to start, sign up for the AppNotes at parkerhill.org/bible

LEADER TIPS

- Feel free to ask your group members if they have a Bible reading plan. If they don't, show them where they can sign up for the AppNotes online (parkerhill.org/bible). You can even have them sign up before group is over!