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Subject: Teenage peer pressure

Dear Dr. Ryrie: I have known a guy for about a month, and he now wants me to come over to his house. He is trying to pressure me, but I tell him I can't. I'm 17 years old, have been saved for almost two months, and am trying to get my life straight and live according to the Holy Spirit. As a Christian, do I stop calling him and just leave guys alone until I am older? --Celestine

Dear Celestine: I'm very thankful that you have come to know the Lord as your Savior. Growing in the Christian life is now a top priority for you. I hope you are reading your Bible regularly and attending a good, Bible-preaching church. Shedding the habits of the old life will not always be easy. If this fellow is trying to pressure you into sin, then by all means cut off all contact with him immediately. Yes, stop calling him, and do not see him in any kind of private situation, though there may be some public ones you have no way of avoiding. The Holy Spirit now lives within you and is there to help give you strength when you are tempted and guidance in situations that will confront you. Here's part of a verse for you to memorize: Romans 13:14--"do not make provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts."



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