

# ENTRUSTING TRUTH



## Excerpt from *Your Walk, their walk*

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Recently, we moved our youngest child, Brian, into his garage apartment at college. This is his third year in college, but his first away from home. We met his neighbor, we will call him Bob, as we moved him in to his garage apartment. Bob then introduced us to his girlfriend, we will call her Sue, with the words, “Sue is here as much as I am.” It did not take much imagination to understand the context of their relationship. Brian is playing Ultimate Frisbee on the college team. They have tournaments out of town on weekends, just as I did when on my college rugby team. “The third half,” we called it. And just like I was back then, he is being exposed to drugs, alcohol, and attitudes toward sex that are, shall we say, less than biblical. Is he equipped to handle this? It is too late to ask that now.

John, our oldest, and Jeff, our middle son, were both residence assistants (RA's) at a major university. Jeff was in the band; John was in the university choir and sang in some of the opera productions. As RA's they were continually exposed to students drinking and what Father Mulcahy on *M\*A\*S\*H* referred to as fraternizing. Additionally, John was exposed to homosexuality in the opera company. He told me once it was hard enough to remember which guy was dating which girl, but now he had to keep track of which guy was dating which guy.

Jeff traveled with the band on road trips to huge venues, including a national championship game. Like John, he told me story after story of young men and women making choices that we pray he never makes. Were Jeff and John equipped to handle that level of exposure? Again, that question could not be asked after they had moved into the dorm.

Our daughter Ranae has been exposed to much of the same at universities she has attended. When she was considering the Art Institute of San Francisco, she had to navigate a war protest on her way to the interview. She he was offered drugs several times on the street and was encouraged to enroll and start classes without consulting us. That does not include the difficulty of growing up female in a culture that continually promotes products through sex and promiscuity and pushes and prods girls to become sexually active through every media outlet with which they come in contact. Was she able to resist this assault on her femininity? Too late to ask that question.<sup>1</sup>



*Your Walk, their walk* and the workbook are available on the [Entrusting Truth website](#) and at Amazon.com (click on the image above) and [Barnes&Noble.com](#).

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<sup>1</sup> Cunningham, J. Michael, *Your Walk, their walk* (Tulsa, OK: Thorncrown, 2010), 12 – 14.