

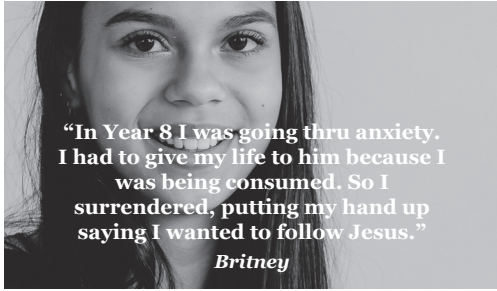


“... my faith simply grew and matured as I got older.”

Naomi

Flourishing from Firm Foundations

Christian identity growing strongly within a supportive environment.

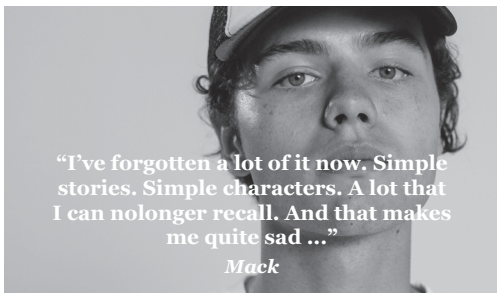


“In Year 8 I was going thru anxiety. I had to give my life to him because I was being consumed. So I surrendered, putting my hand up saying I wanted to follow Jesus.”

Britney

Growth through challenge

Used the resources of faith to respond to significant difficulties resulting in spiritual change.



“I’ve forgotten a lot of it now. Simple stories. Simple characters. A lot that I can no longer recall. And that makes me quite sad ...”

Mack

Losing my religion

Faith experienced during earlier years is fading or been lost



“I would like to come back to God properly. I’m going to bible study more often, I’m getting closer to going to church, but I haven’t properly connected with Him yet.”

Jason

Finding a Way Back

Trying to rebuild a faith that has been lost ... but it will probably never be the same again



“[Mum and Dad] helped until I had serious doubts, then I haven’t asked them and pretended I’m fine.”

Amelia

Faith Threatened by Doubt

Current faith commitments under pressure and will need help to survive



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Faith Journey Narratives

Discipleship responds to where a young person is at in the light of where they have come from to help them move to a preferred future.

Our early findings have identified five very different spiritual journeys requiring equally different discipleship responses.*

Knowing what kind of faith journey a young person is on is vital if you are going to help them take the next step.

* Note: These findings have been found by analysing the narratives of young people who have made some kind of Christian commitment. We expect to identify further journey types as we analyse data reflecting more diverse narratives

