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***Worth 20 points**

INSTRUCTIONS: Each month (October – April) you are required to undertake a Christian examination of something from popular culture. You may choose a song, music video, TV show, movie, video game, book, magazine, something from the Internet (Facebook, Youtube, a news article, etc.), advertisements, or anything else you can think of. Your goal is to highlight the deeper messages (good or bad) within the element from pop culture you chose.

***Important Note:** This does **NOT** give you free license to do anything your parents would not normally want you doing (Examples: watching bad TV shows, buying bad magazines/songs/music videos, etc.). For this assignment you should not have to go looking in deep and dark places. Rather, just keep your eyes and ears open as you go about your daily life. If you need help, feel free to ask your parents or an older brother or sister for any examples they can think of.

Type of Example: TV Show

Description of Media: Family Guy episode where he makes a "Church of the Fonz"

What are some of the deeper/mixed messages from your example and how does it compare to Christian teaching? Please thoroughly explain.

When I got home one day from hockey my brother was watching TV and he was watching family guy. I sat down with him and watched for a little and for how long I watched I was in shock. It was an episode where Peter, the dad didn't believe in his religion, and definitely not in God. He then looks "deep into his heart" on what religion he should believe in. He doesn't find a religion where he believes in after he tries being everything like a Baptist, Morman, and many more. He then creates his own church dedicated to the Fonz. He holds masses for this, and people actually come to the mass, and he has a book sort of like the bible that he just reads for that day. He and family guy were totally making fun of Catholics with hidden messages, and also shows that are lost without God and don't know what to do so you need God more then ever. I was in awe of how much they were making fun of Catholics I couldn't watch it any longer and went upstairs.

Another message they were sending is that you don't have to believe in God or any religion you can simply create your own religion for what you believe, and in reality you really can't do that.

They were pretty much making fun of everything we believe in like God, how sacred the bible is, and all the teachings that are in the bible. I couldn't watch it anymore, and I haven't really watched it since. I'm glad I have stopped watching if too.