

Review Sheet

Shadowlands

1. Provide a brief summary of the movie's basic story-line (no more than 250 words).
2. What is your initial reaction to the movie? How does it apply to the application of biblical values?
3. Note the development of Lewis's view of pain from the beginning of the movie to the end. How does it change? What leads to this change?
4. How do Lewis's contemporaries view his convictions? Choose two characters in the movie and share their view of Lewis's faith.
5. What relationships does Lewis see between pain and happiness, suffering and love?
6. Look up one or two reviews of the movie and list at least three areas where the author of the play expresses philosophical views that are at odds with those held by Lewis.

12 Angry Men

1. Provide a brief summary of the movie's basic story-line (no more than 250 words).
2. What is your initial reaction to the movie? How does it apply to the application of biblical values?
3. The theme of prejudice and bias is seen throughout the movie. Name at least three forms of bias or prejudice revealed by the jurors. Read James 2: How might this apply to the subject of bias or prejudice?
4. Choose three jurors. Provide a brief description of each and the factors that influenced their initial and eventual decision about the guilt or innocence of the accused.
5. Describe the process by which proper values are applied in these deliberations. What challenges to their application are evident? How are these overcome?
6. With which individual in the movie do you most easily identify? Why?

Schindler's List

1. Provide a brief summary of the movie's basic story-line (no more than 250 words).
2. What is your initial reaction to the movie? How does it apply to the application of biblical values?
3. Since Germany was/is considered a "Christian nation" how do you explain their authorship of the holocaust? (What is the meaning of this word?)
4. Compare the Oskar Schindler you are introduced to in the beginning of the movie with the one who is found at the end. What caused the change?
5. If there are no "absolutes" was Hitler wrong in what he did? Why or why not?
6. Read the parable of the Good Samaritan found in Luke 10. Compare this story to the story of Schindler's list. Suggest a parallel for each character in the parable and a character (or group of characters) in the movie.

The Passion of the Christ

1. Provide a brief summary of the movie's basic story-line (no more than 250 words).
2. What was your initial reaction to the movie? How did it compare to:
 - a. what you knew (or thought you knew) about the story of Jesus?
 - b. the reviews (positive and negative) you heard before and immediately after its release?
3. List at least five "main points" you think the movie is attempting to make about the arrest, trial, beating and crucifixion of Jesus. Relate at least two that deal with Jesus' view of ethical behavior.
4. What part of this telling of the story did you find to be the most difficult to watch? Why?
5. How does Pilate's struggle with his decisions concerning what is to be done with Jesus relate to the process of ethical decision making for a Christian?
6. Read all four gospel accounts of the arrest, trail, beating and crucifixion of Jesus. Compare them to the material found in the movie. Find at least five items that were either "added" or were not mentioned—why do you think they were added or subtracted?