



## ***Lesson Four – This Moment In Time***

### **Opening Activity for Teenagers: Too Soon?**

#### **Resources Needed:**

- 3 Poster Boards
- Painter's tape
- Markers
- Index cards

#### **Set-Up:**

1. Create three signs: Too Soon, Too Late, Just Right
2. Tape the signs to 3 different walls of the room.
3. Create 5-10 scenarios and write them on index cards.
4. Example scenarios could be:
  - a. Your friend just found out their grandparent died, but you try to change the subject by telling a joke. (too soon)
  - b. A new student at school has been sitting alone during lunch for 3 weeks, and now you decide to say hi. (too late)
  - c. Your friend looks stressed about their grades, but you offer them some Nerd Gummy Clusters and a chance to talk. (just right)
  - d. Your youth leader is teaching the Bible, and someone decides to shout out a meme. (too soon)
  - e. You see someone getting picked on but decide to wait to say anything, hoping someone else will step in. (too late)
  - f. You see someone fall and drop their stuff, and you choose to help right away (just right)
  - g. Feel free to be creative with your scenarios.

#### **How to Play:**

1. Read out one of the quick scenarios.
2. After reading the scenario, students walk to the response they feel best fits.
3. Ask students why they chose their response.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. How can good timing make a big difference?
2. Why might we sometime miss the right moments to act?
3. How can we be more aware of the right time to act?