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## [Announcement: The Modesty Survey](#)



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*The Modesty Survey* is an anonymous discussion between Christian guys and girls who care about modesty. Hundreds of Christian girls submitted their questions and over 1,600 Christian guys (of all ages) submitted 150,000+ answers—including over 25,000 text responses. The results will be released on [St. Valentine's Day](#).

### **The Modesty Survey Story**

*The Modesty Survey* began when two girls on [The Rebellion Forums](#) separately suggested an anonymous discussion on modesty between members of the Guys Only forum (The Garage) and members of the Girls Only forum (The Attic).

15-year-old [Katrina Rowe](#) was the inspirational force behind the idea, agreeing to oversee preliminary data collection and inviting girls in the Attic to submit their questions for the guys. In little more than a week, she received over 360 questions from hundreds of Christians girls around the world.

The overwhelming response to the idea of a modesty discussion confirmed its importance. Some Christian girls have fathers or brothers to provide godly input on their attire, but many more have none. Many girls seem oblivious to the destructive effects of immodest attire on their brothers in Christ. Others desire to honor God and to protect their brothers, but don't know where to start.

As we began to process and organize the questions, we immediately realized the need for a secure survey system to collect and track guys' answers. 18-year-old [David Boskovic](#), our entire IT Department, developed the system from scratch.

Work continued. Candace Perry of [Purity Girls](#) joined the team as a consultant, sharing her experience with modesty surveys with us newcomers. Meanwhile, [Sarah Harris](#) (our dear sister) coordinated the tracking down of definitions and tasteful photo-illustrations for almost every item of clothing in the survey.

*The Modesty Survey* launched on [January 8th](#) and remained open until [January 28th](#). Again, the response was overwhelming. Over 1,500 Christian guys (12-50+) submitted 160,000 answers—including over 25,000 text responses.

### **Results to be Released on St. Valentine's Day**

One of the purposes of *The Modesty Survey* is to allow Christian guys to express their gratitude to their sisters in Christ who strive to dress modestly—to let them know that their efforts are both noticed and appreciated by their brothers in Christ.

To symbolize this, we will be releasing the survey results on **February 14th, St. Valentine's Day**, as a gift to all Christian girls, and especially to those whose inner qualities of godliness, humility, and love express themselves in their outward attire.

### **What You Can Do Now**

**Pray for *The Modesty Survey*.** The survey has closed, but there is much work yet to be done. Over 160,000 answers and 25,000 text responses must be processed and finalized. Pray for the Survey Team as we continue to work. Pray that God would give us wisdom and discernment as we make decisions. Pray that God will use *The Modesty Survey* powerfully, to glorify His name and to bless His children.

**Keep reading the blog.** Over the next two weeks, we plan to post special articles and resources on the topic of modesty. We may even share some of the best text responses from the survey itself. You won't want to miss these posts.

**Spread the word.** Tell your friends about the *The Modesty Survey*. The more people who hear about it, the more who will, we pray, be blessed and equipped by the results. Word-of-mouth is the best way to spread the word, but if you want, you can also place [a snazzy ad](#) on your website or blog.

Finally, if you are a Christian guy, whether you participated in *The Modesty Survey* or not, your greatest contribution to this effort may be to sign the [Modesty Survey Petition](#)—and it will take just seconds of your time.

### **Additional Modesty Resources**

- [The Soul of Modesty](#): C.J. Mahaney's heart-focused, grace-filled, gospel-centered audio message on the topic of modesty. Made

specially available for free download by [Sovereign Grace Ministries](#).

- **[The Responsibility of Modesty \(Part 1\)](#)**: Excerpted from the not-yet-released survey results, a 20-year-old Christian man shares a powerful summation of men's responsibility in this area.
- **[The Responsibility of Modesty \(Part 2\)](#)**: Excerpted from the not-yet-released survey results, a 22-year-old Christian man shares an insightful analogy explaining the responsibility of women to protect their brothers in Christ.
- **[The Purpose of Clothing](#)**: John Piper explains both the negative and positive messages God communicated by clothing Adam and Eve after they fell into sin.

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## 294 Responses to "Announcement: The Modesty Survey"

1. [Erin's Mom](#) Says:

[December 2nd, 2006 at 11:34 pm](#)

Would you gentlemen consider making a little AD like your flashing Rebelution AD to put on the side bar of blogs? This could prove to be beneficial in getting the word out.

2. [Danny](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 12:43 am](#)

well now, this is truly crazy. modesty survey? don't waste your time, preach jesus! not clothing regulations. typical american christians!

3. [Carley](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 4:40 am](#)

This is a great idea. Thank you so much for doing it.

4. [Bethany](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 6:14 am](#)

Wow, what an awesome idea guys! I've already emailed this to all of my friends. I think it will be such a great way to discuss the issue of modesty in a non-threatening way. Thanks so much for doing it!

5. [Caleb](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 8:44 am](#)

Great idea!

Modesty is not simply "clothing regulations" as Danny put it. The attraction God created between a guy and gal is truly wonderful and amazing. If we don't take necessary measures to combat lust (those good attractions twisted into evil), we ruin those good things God designed. Immodest clothing leaves open doors for lust. Thus, modesty is critically important to combat lust -something our culture is corruptly preoccupied with.

This is a great way to allow communication between brothers and sisters in Christ so that we can help one another in this area.

Like Erin's mom said, if you could put out a code for us use on our xangas, mspace, etc. it would help get word out about this whole site. Thanks!

6. [Brett Harris](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 8:49 am](#)

**Erin's Mom:** That's a great idea. I'll see if we can put one together in the next few days.

**Danny:** It is always our goal to take everything back to Jesus and the Cross. The topic of modesty is not unrelated to Christ, it just falls under the category of discipleship, rather than evangelism. This is why the Apostle Paul addresses it in one of his pastoral epistles — namely, his first letter to Timothy.

7. ["godsdaughter19"](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 9:09 am](#)

THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart for this!

It will be wonderful. I am grateful that I have always been brought up to dress very modestly, and I often get questions from girls who don't kind understand the concept. So this will be great for them, but also for me too! 😊

8. [Caleb Gage](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 10:00 am](#)

Just so you know I wasn't Caleb. 😊 I'm Caleb Gage. 😊

9. [Joshua R](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 12:24 pm](#)

Great Idea!

I cannot wait to see what God will do through this survey, maybe this will help start a "rebelution" in the dress of today's women young and old alike.

You have my support in any way I can help.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Joshua

10. [Elisabeth](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 12:41 pm](#)

So if we already posted our questions in the Attic, then will those automatically be in consideration for including in the survey, or will we have to email them to Katrina? Is the email thing just for those who aren't part of the forums?

11. [Bill W.](#) Says:

[December 3rd, 2006 at 1:01 pm](#)

I could help set up the polling system.