

### Slingshot

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- *Are you ever in situations that make you feel awkward or uncomfortable because of your faith in Jesus?*

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Read the following scenario and discuss the questions that follow:

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- *What could and/or should change between you and Michael now?*
- *What are the possible side effects of your past, and new actions? Socially? Spiritually? Emotionally?*
- *Would you say you are you willing to do the uncomfortable—or maybe even the “unthinkable”—for Jesus? Why or why not?*

### Serious Testing

Christians are very fortunate in America today where we can live without much persecution. However, in many parts of the world Christians suffer much hardship because of their faith in Jesus. Read **2 Corinthians 11:23-29** and then discuss these final questions:

- *Why didn't Paul stop sharing the message of Jesus in view of his hardships? Would you have endured all of those things, or given up?*
- *What can **you** do today in your daily life that may make you feel uncomfortable, but you know will bring glory to God and will plant his seed?*

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