

“Role” > a “roll” containing actor’s part.

If good, a “model,” example - “Role model”

Heb 10:7, “scroll” (ASV, “roll”)

Timeless Role Models

EXCUSES

- **Parents:** "Boys will be boys." Part of youth.
- **Young people:** Everybody does it.
- **Society:** Only young once; sowing wild oats.
- **Calvinism:** Inherently evil. "Just human."
- **Politicians:** Poverty.
- **Psychologists:** Dysfunctional family.
- **Doctors:** Genetic, or, physical

Jn 8:44 - LIES

How know above are lies? Case histories...

JOSIAH 2Chron 34:3,8,29-33

- **Predecessors On The Throne (ancestors):**
 - Grandfather (Manasseh) “bec. of sins of M.”
 - Father (Amon)
- **Wickedness Of The Times**
 - Idolatry rampant (temple!) 2Ki 23:4-6,10-15
 - Immoral perversion (temple!!) 2Ki 23:7
 - True religion corrupted (“high places”)
 - Temple in state of disrepair
 - Book of the law lost
 - Jer 5:1; 5:30-31

JOSIAH 2Chron 34:3,8,29-33

- His remarkable character:
 - 16 yrs old, personal commitment to seek God
 - 20 yrs old, extensive national reform
 - 26 yrs old, purging and repairing the temple
2Ch 34:19...29-32

His influence - 2Ch 34:33

2Ki 23:25

MARY Lk 1:27,38,46

- Nazareth Jn 1:46; Lk 4:23-24...28-30; Mk 6:6a
- The times Lk 1:16,17; 3:8
- Her character:
 - Morally - a virgin Lk 1:27,34; Mt 1:25; Lk 1:3
 - Humble, joyful attitude Lk 1:38,46f

“The Lord is with you!” - Lk 1:28

TIMOTHY Acts 16:2,3

- Where lived as young man - Lystra (Ac 14)
- Family
 - Father - Greek; not a Christian
 - Mother and grandmother 2Tim 1:5;3:15
- His character:
 - Reputation - “well spoken of” Ac 16:2
 - Responsible Ac 16:3. Cmpr Ac 15:36-39
 - Became gospel preacher 1&2 Timothy

1Tim 4:12

Ecc 11:9-12:1

- Don't believe the lies!
- Parents and grandparents, don't fall for the lies!
- Young people, who is watching you?!

Greatest “Role Model” Eph 4:13