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# An Overview of the Papers Presented at the 180° Symposium

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**P**rior to the 180° Symposium, 13 youth and young adult ministry professionals submitted papers. By reading this in advance, participants could respond to those papers. Following are edited versions of these papers.

These include a philosophical view of culture and Torah, young adults reflecting on their own faith journeys with suggestions on what to retain and what to change, parental and pastoral views of passing on the faith, Hispanic perspectives on a specific church, also a city, and all of North America. You will also read about African immigration to Europe as well as worship styles, commitment to scripture and truth, plus the crisis each generation faces when it comes to dealing with God and religion.

Don't expect to agree with everything you read, but let it spark your own response to this topic. Put yourself in the revolving door model drawn from Bull and Lockhart. Answer the question, "Is the church one generation from extinction?" with your own reply.