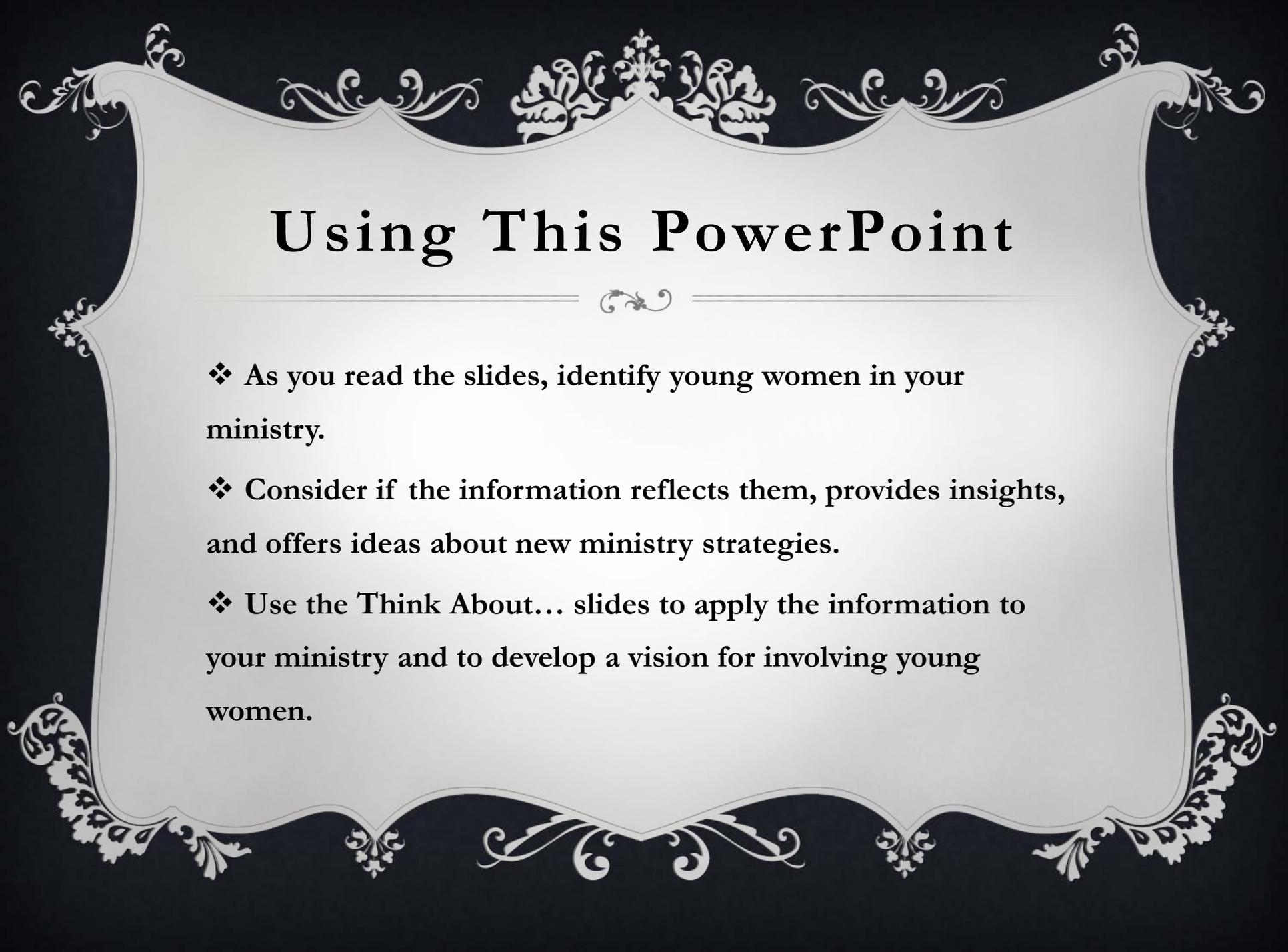




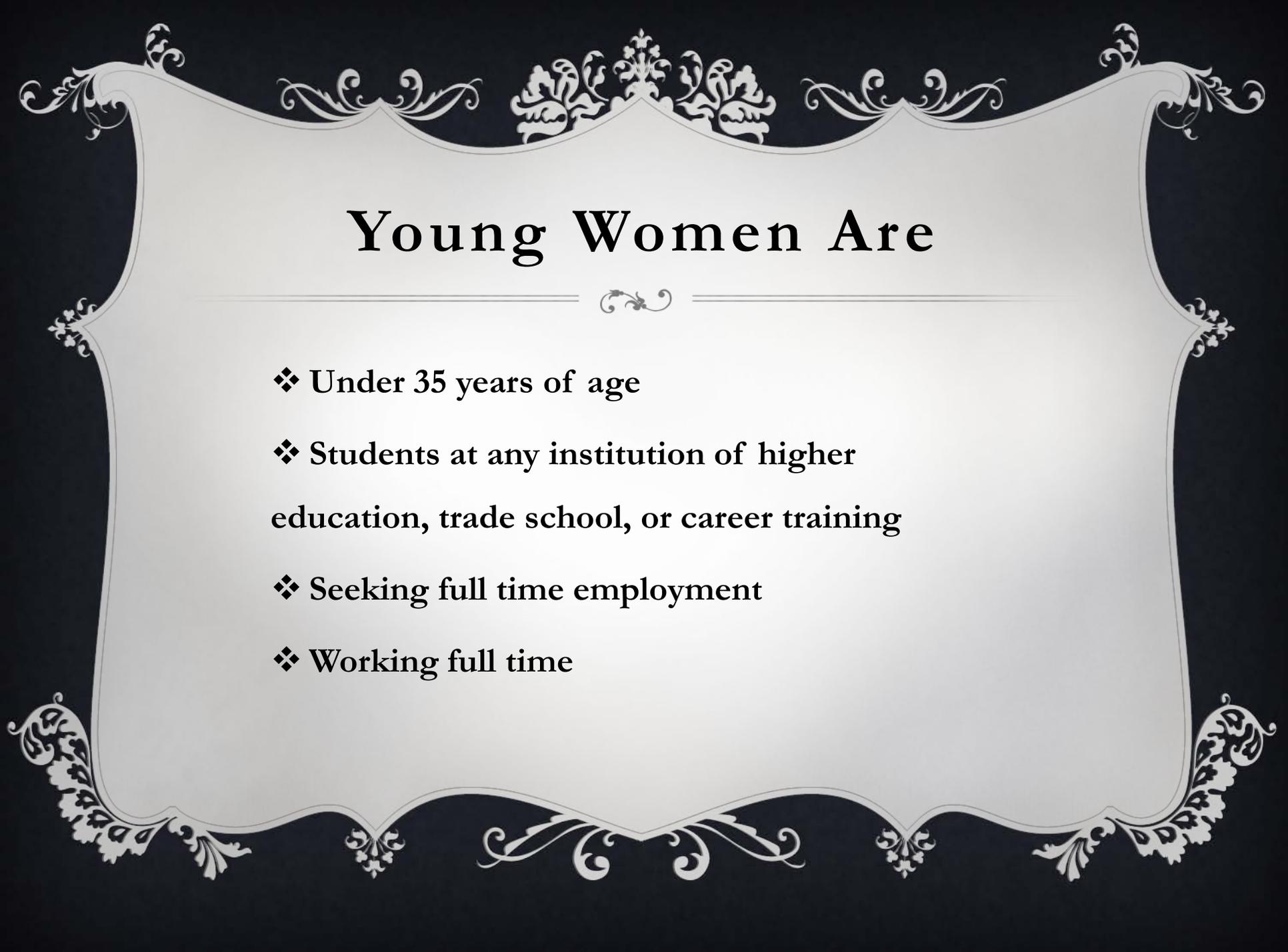
**Young Women and
Women's Ministries**

Involving the Next Generation

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Using This PowerPoint

- ❖ As you read the slides, identify young women in your ministry.
- ❖ Consider if the information reflects them, provides insights, and offers ideas about new ministry strategies.
- ❖ Use the Think About... slides to apply the information to your ministry and to develop a vision for involving young women.



Young Women Are

- ❖ Under 35 years of age
- ❖ Students at any institution of higher education, trade school, or career training
- ❖ Seeking full time employment
- ❖ Working full time



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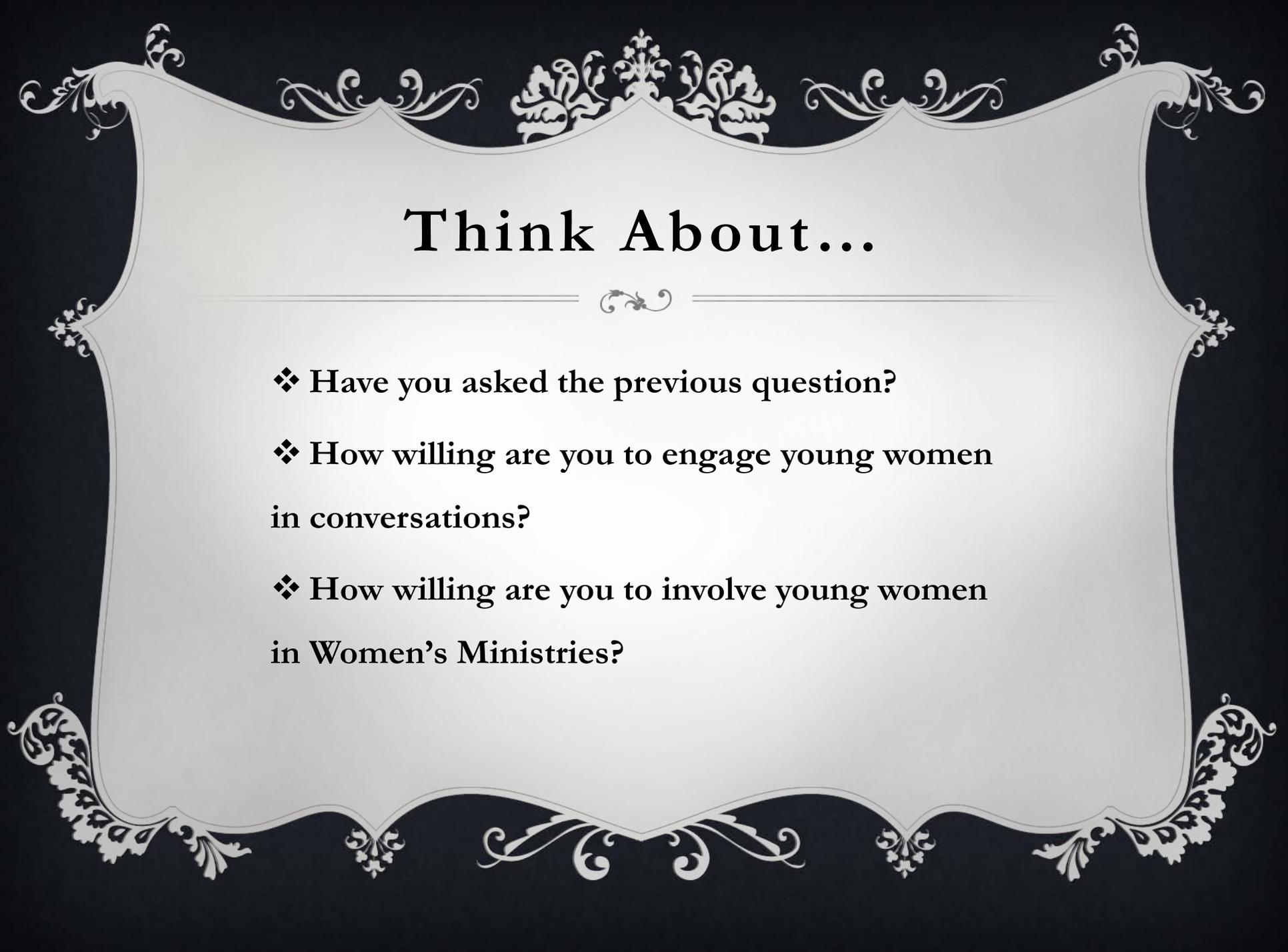
❖ **At different places in life**

- **Married**
- **Not-married-yet**
- **Parents**
- **Single parents**
- **Divorced**
- **Widow/widowers**



Think About...

**How do the young women
in your church describe
Women's Ministries?**



Think About...

- ❖ Have you asked the previous question?
- ❖ How willing are you to engage young women in conversations?
- ❖ How willing are you to involve young women in Women's Ministries?

The Three Bs

❖ Befriend

- Engage young women in conversations to learn about their needs, interests, and desires.
- Remember to listen more than you talk.
- Share life with them.
- Invite young women into your home to see how
 - You integrate Christianity into all areas of life
 - You deal with challenges, conflicts, and joys

Befriend Continued

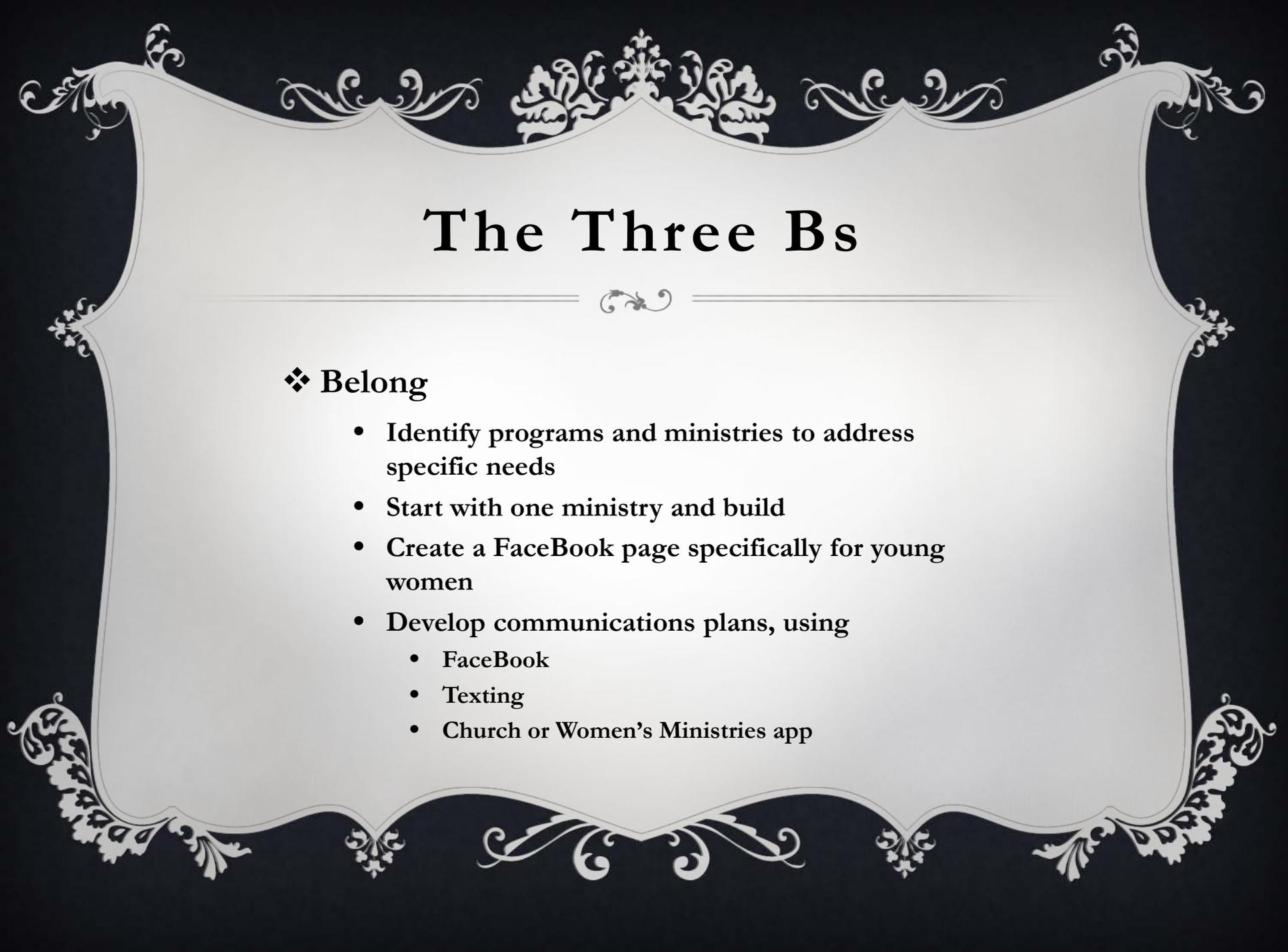
❖ Befriend

- You don't have to have all the answers
- Be willing to search for answers and to learn together
- Tell your story. It encourages young women.
- Include
 - Lessons you've learned
 - How God worked in your life
 - Where God continues to work in your life



Think About...

- ❖ Have you listened to the young women in your congregation?
- ❖ What young women can you engage in conversations to learn about their needs and concerns?
- ❖ What young women are you sharing life with?



The Three Bs

❖ **Belong**

- **Identify programs and ministries to address specific needs**
- **Start with one ministry and build**
- **Create a FaceBook page specifically for young women**
- **Develop communications plans, using**
 - **FaceBook**
 - **Texting**
 - **Church or Women's Ministries app**



Belong Continued

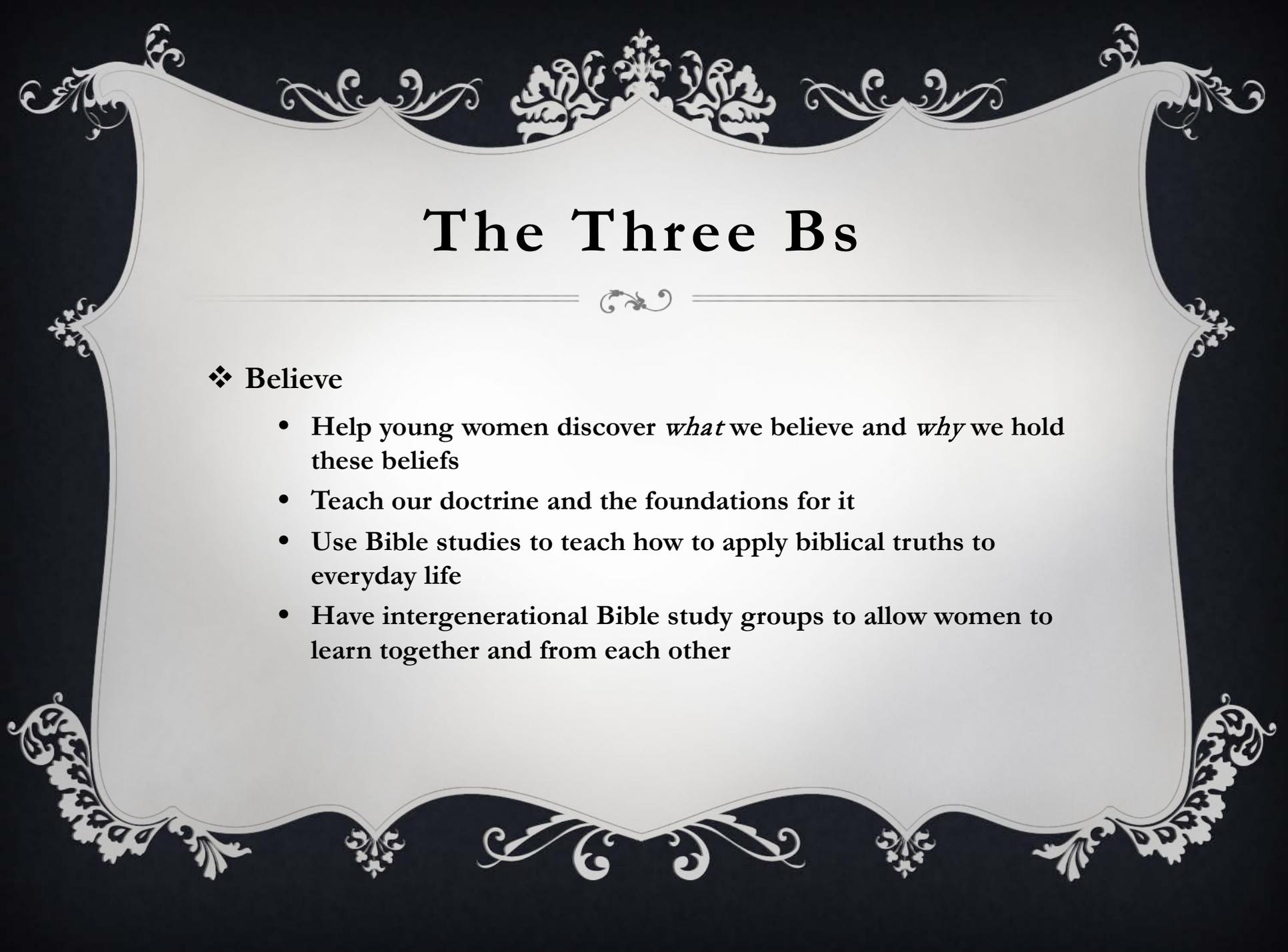
❖ Develop their leadership skills

- Return the investment made in you as a young adult
- Give leadership responsibilities to the young women
- Be a guide on the side to encourage, support, and help as needed
- Allow them to try new ideas
- Help them to learn from mistakes and failures



Think About...

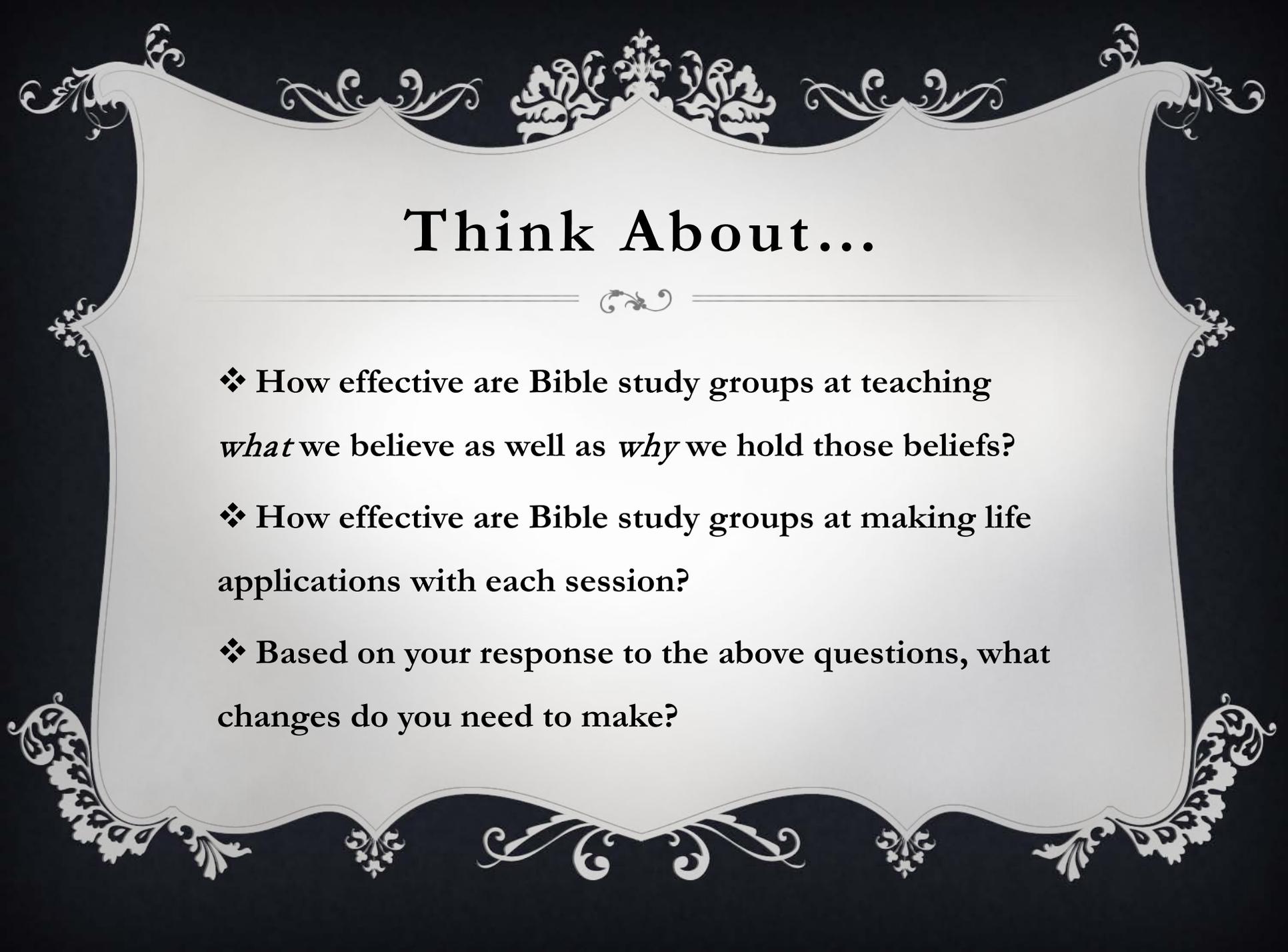
- ❖ What young women have you invited to belong to the leadership team?
- ❖ What young woman are you helping to develop her leadership skills?
- ❖ How can you improve communications with young women by using FaceBook and text messages?



The Three Bs

❖ Believe

- Help young women discover *what* we believe and *why* we hold these beliefs
- Teach our doctrine and the foundations for it
- Use Bible studies to teach how to apply biblical truths to everyday life
- Have intergenerational Bible study groups to allow women to learn together and from each other



Think About...

- ❖ How effective are Bible study groups at teaching *what* we believe as well as *why* we hold those beliefs?
- ❖ How effective are Bible study groups at making life applications with each session?
- ❖ Based on your response to the above questions, what changes do you need to make?



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❖ **Video Bible Study Series designed specifically for young women**

❖ **Components of the Series**

- **Leader's Guide**
- **Background Materials**
- **Discussion Outlines for Leader's and Participants'**



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❖ Topics in the series

- Relationships
- Communication
- Conflict
- Forgiveness
- Work
- Sexuality

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