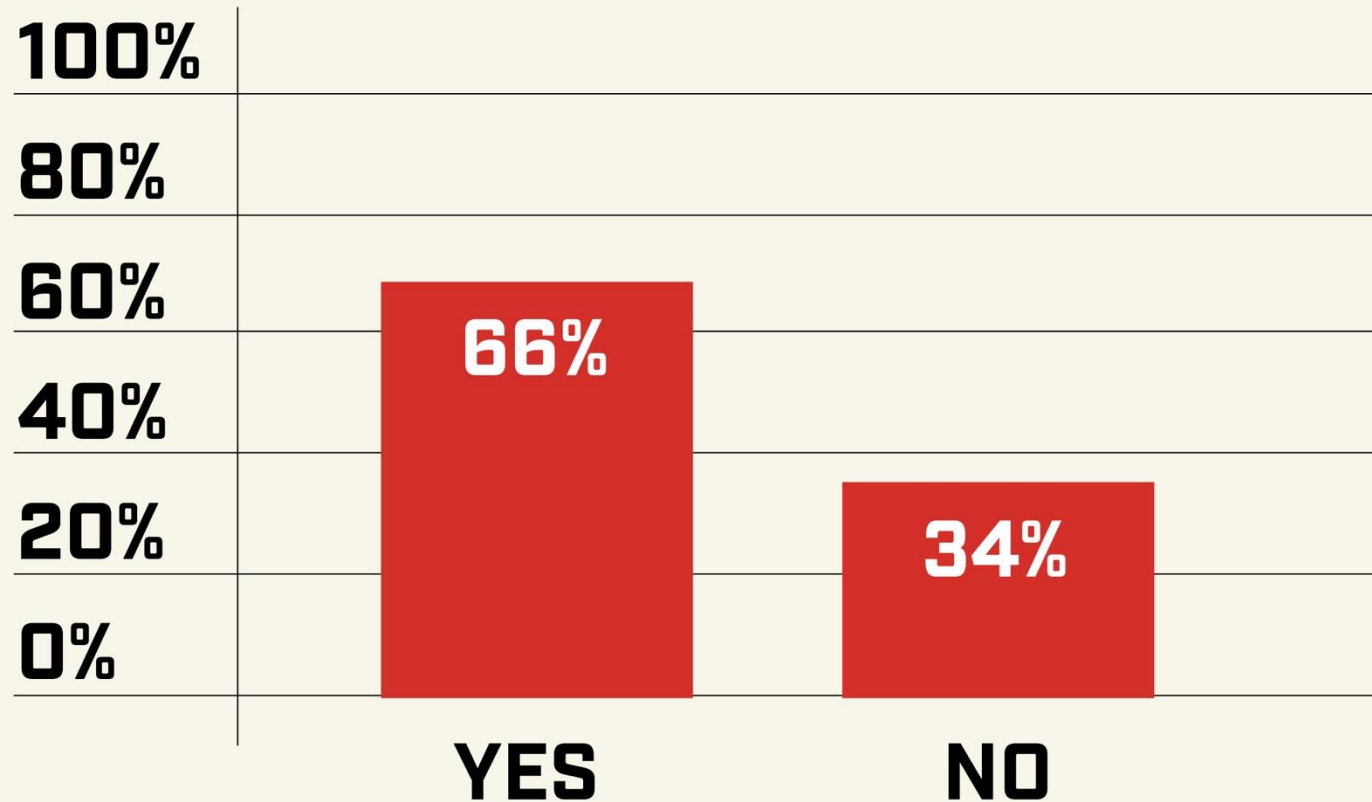




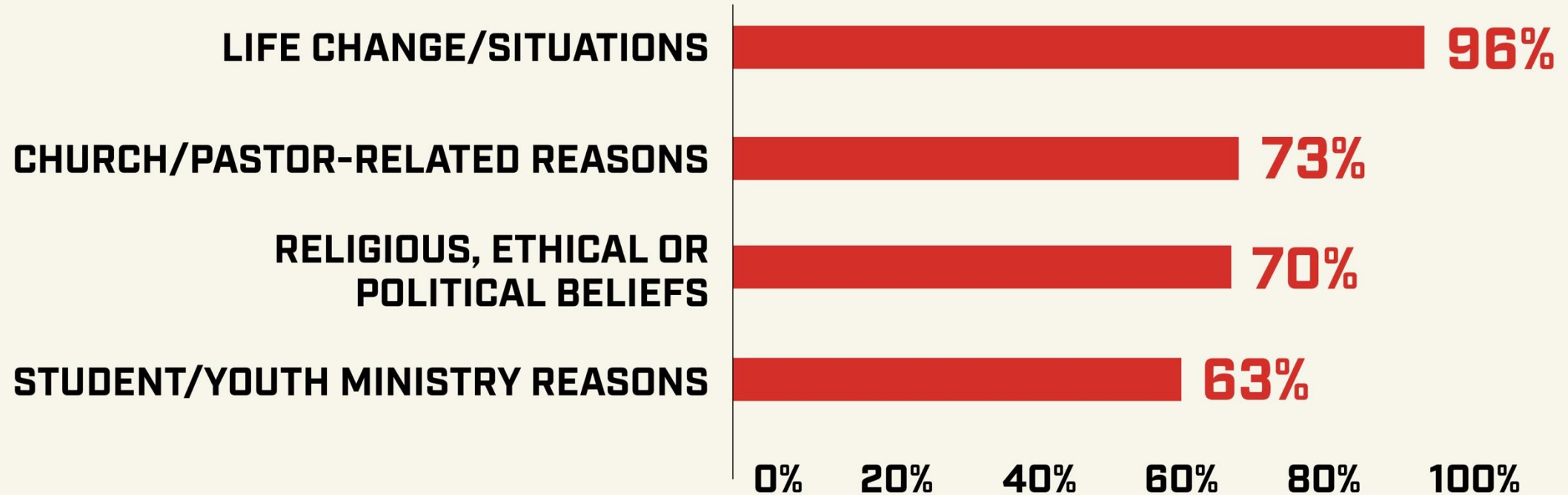
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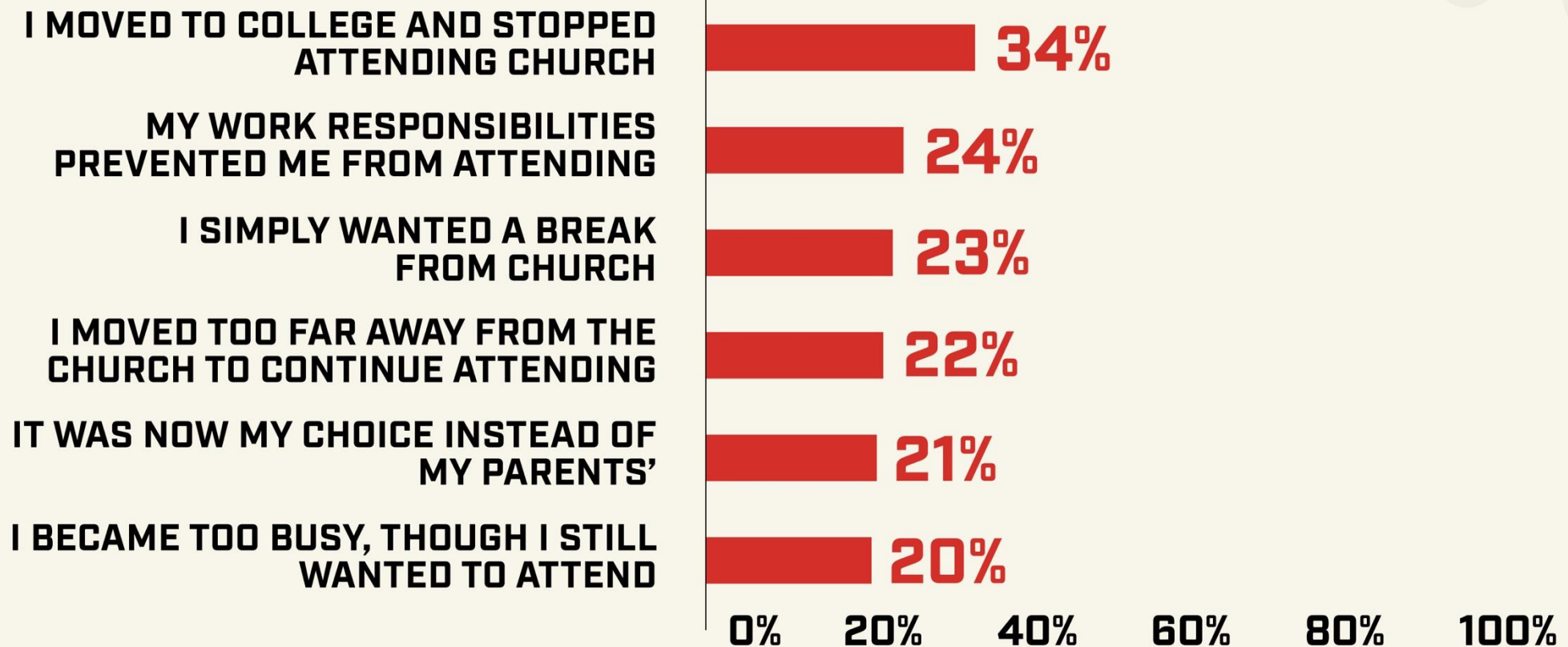
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(twice a month or more) for at least a year
between the ages of 18 and 22?”**



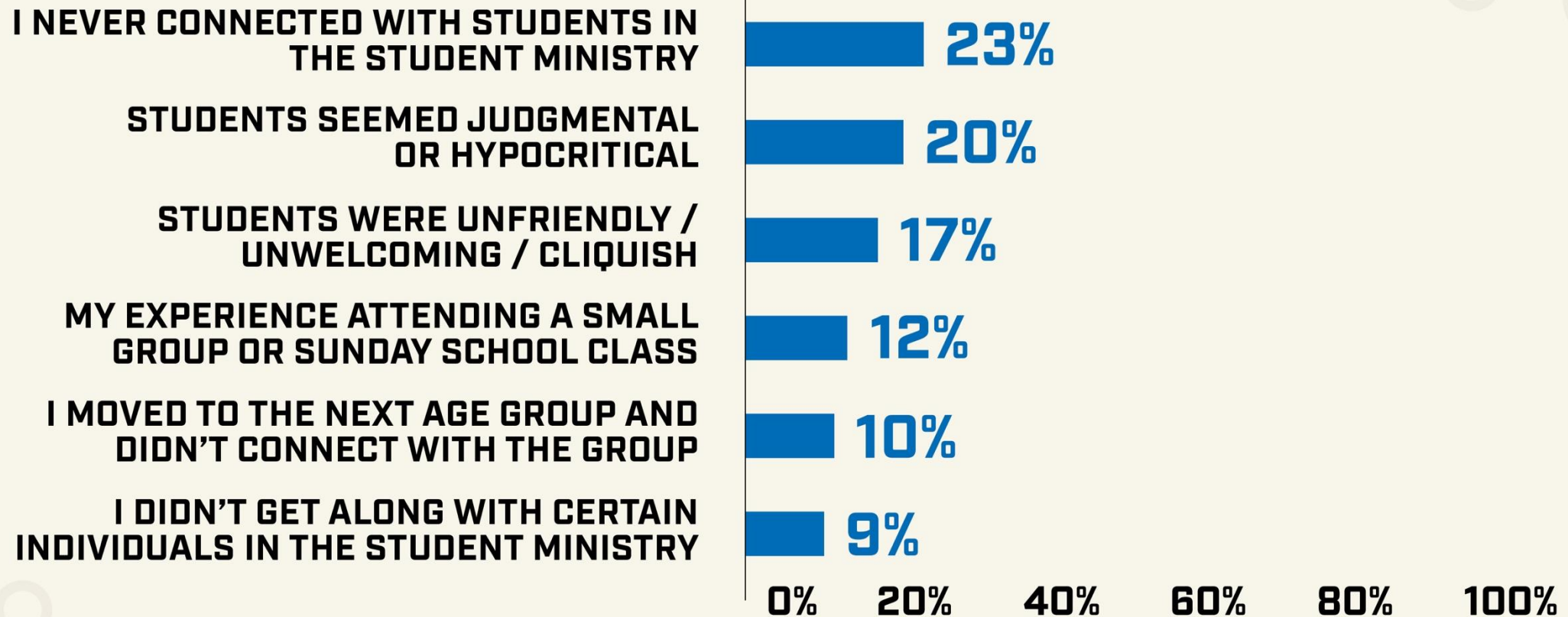
Reasons young adults stop attending church



Life Changes/Situations contributed to decision to stop attending



Student/Youth Ministry reasons contributed to decision to stop attending



Participation prior to age 18

I REGULARLY ATTENDED WORSHIP SERVICES

90%

**I PARTICIPATED IN SERVICE PROJECTS
THROUGH CHURCH**

63%

I ATTENDED A CHRISTIAN CAMP

58%

**I ATTENDED BIBLE STUDIES OR A CHRISTIAN
CLUB ON MY HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS**

40%

**I CONSISTENTLY GAVE FINANCIALLY
TO THE CHURCH**

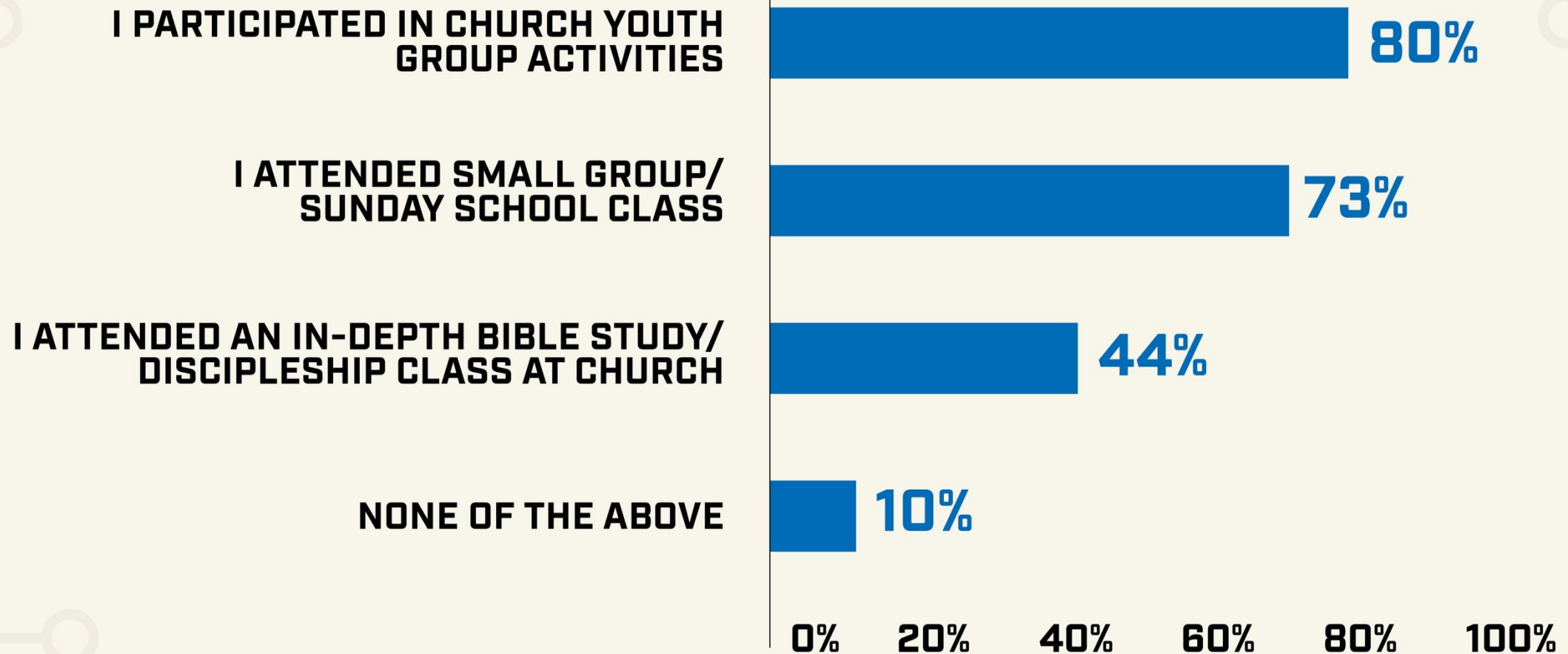
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I PARTICIPATED IN MISSIONS TRIPS

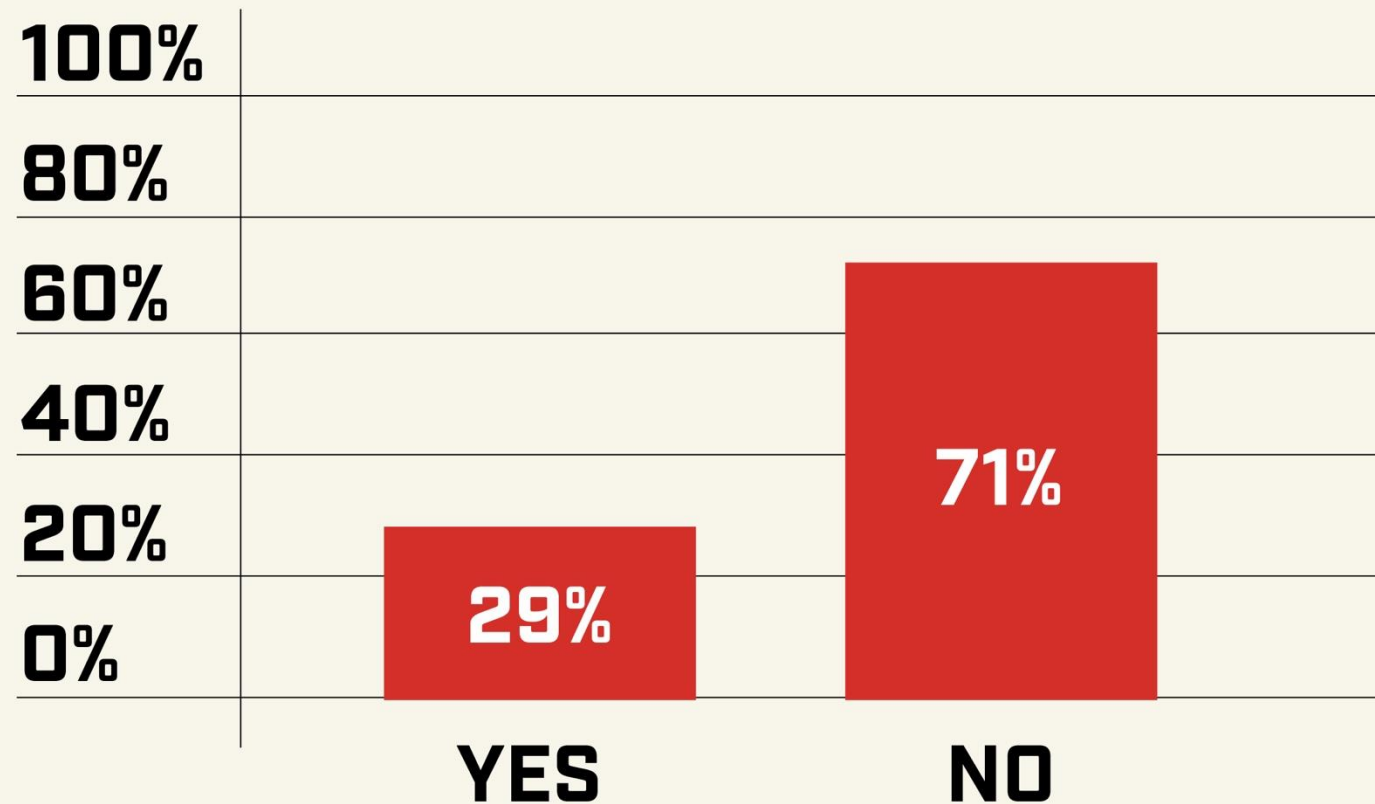
39%

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Student Ministry participation prior to age 18



Planned on taking a break from church





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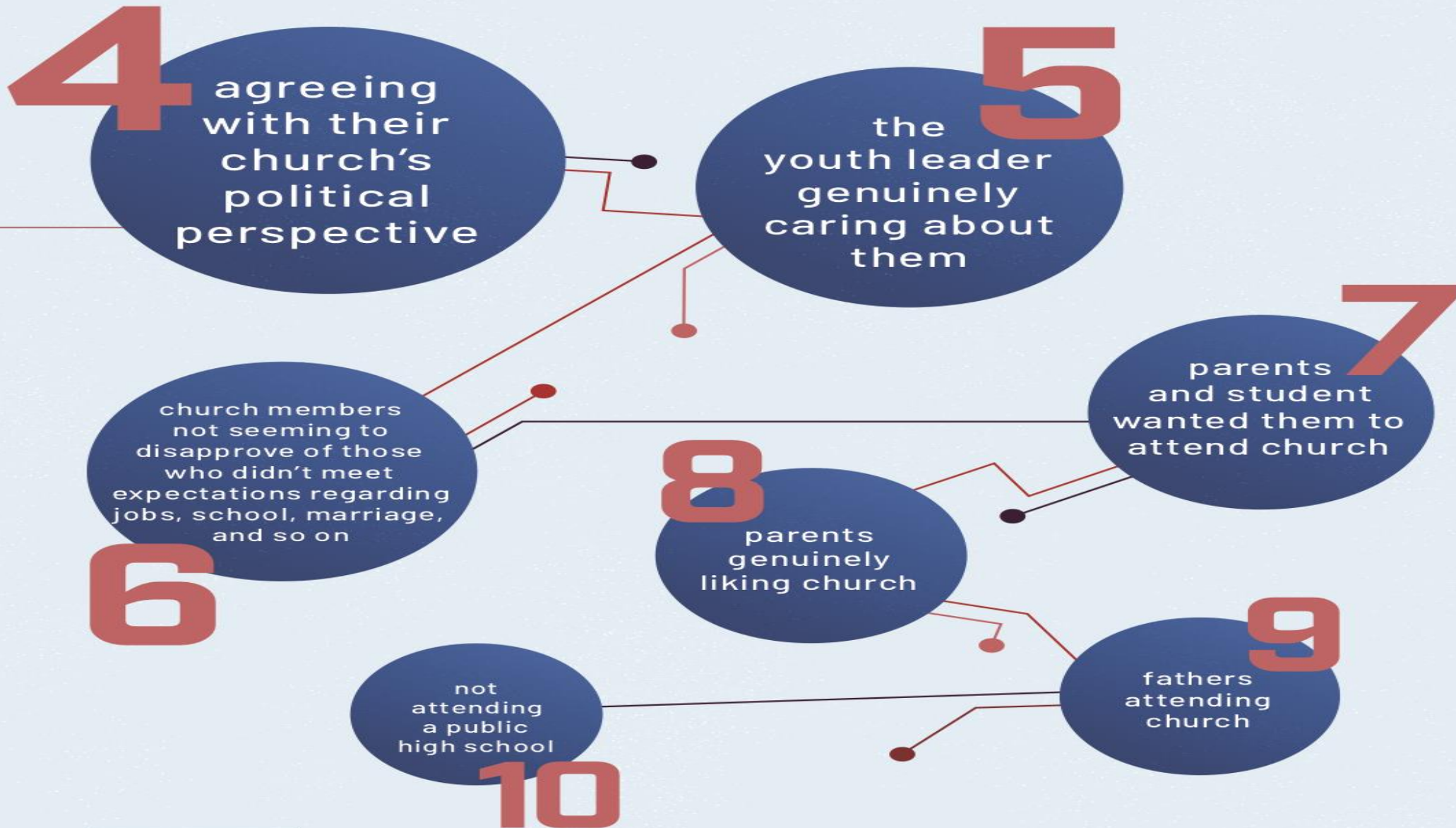
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THE 10 STRONGEST PREDICTORS OF STUDENTS STAYING OR DROPPING OUT OF THE CHURCH AFTER HIGH SCHOOL ARE:

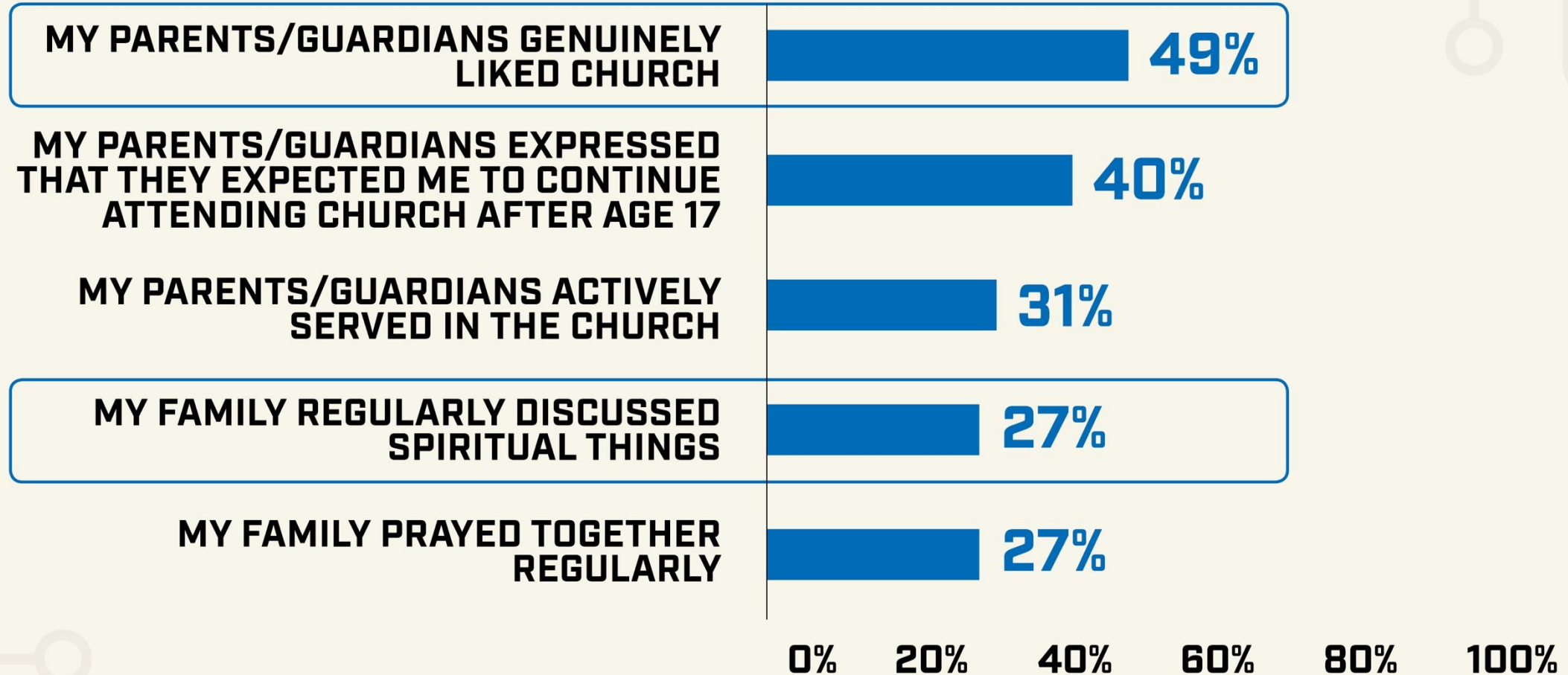
1 adults investing in them between ages 15-18

2 regularly reading the Bible privately prior to age 18

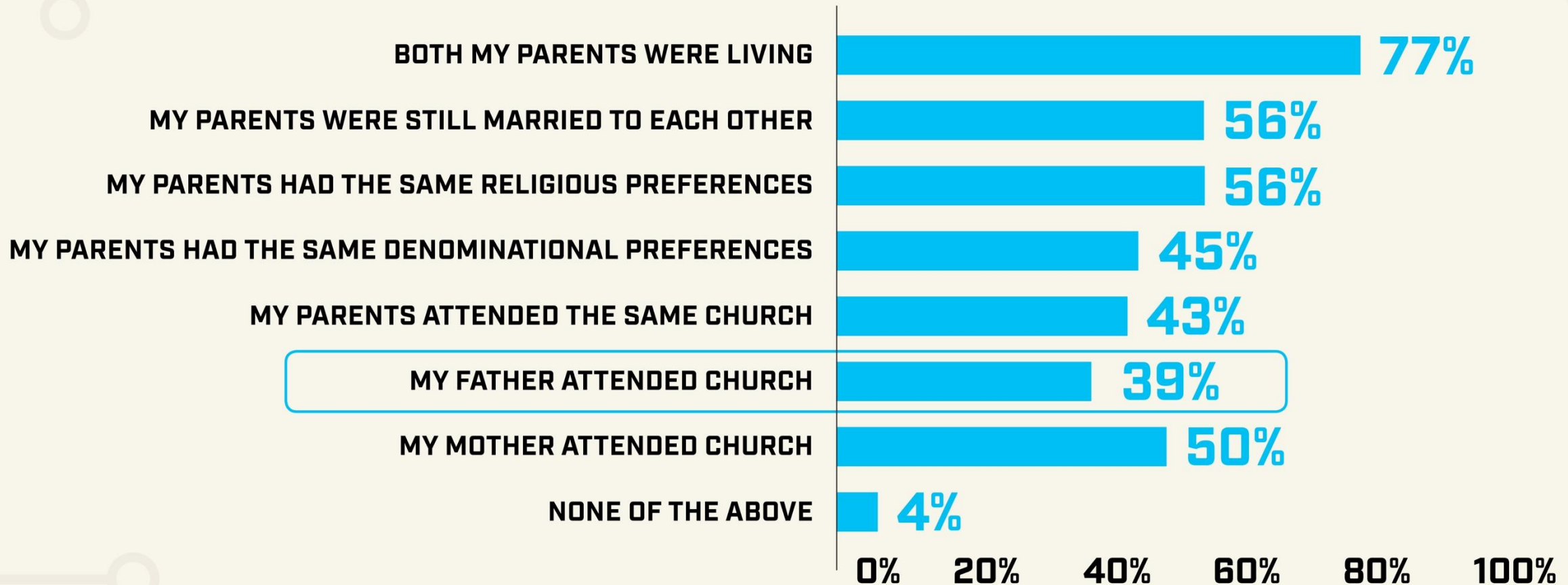
wanting the church to help guide their decisions in everyday life **3**



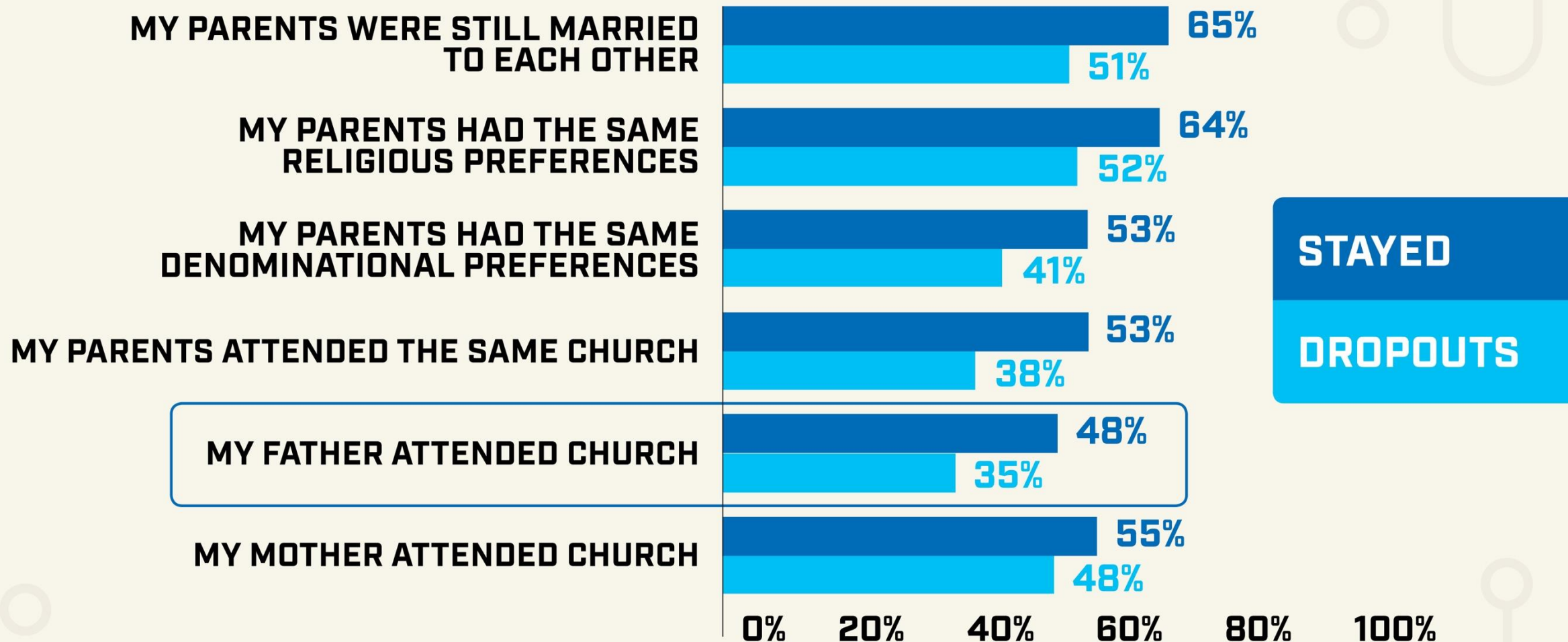
Parents' attitudes toward religion and church attendance through teenage years



“At age 17, which of the following applied to your parents’?”



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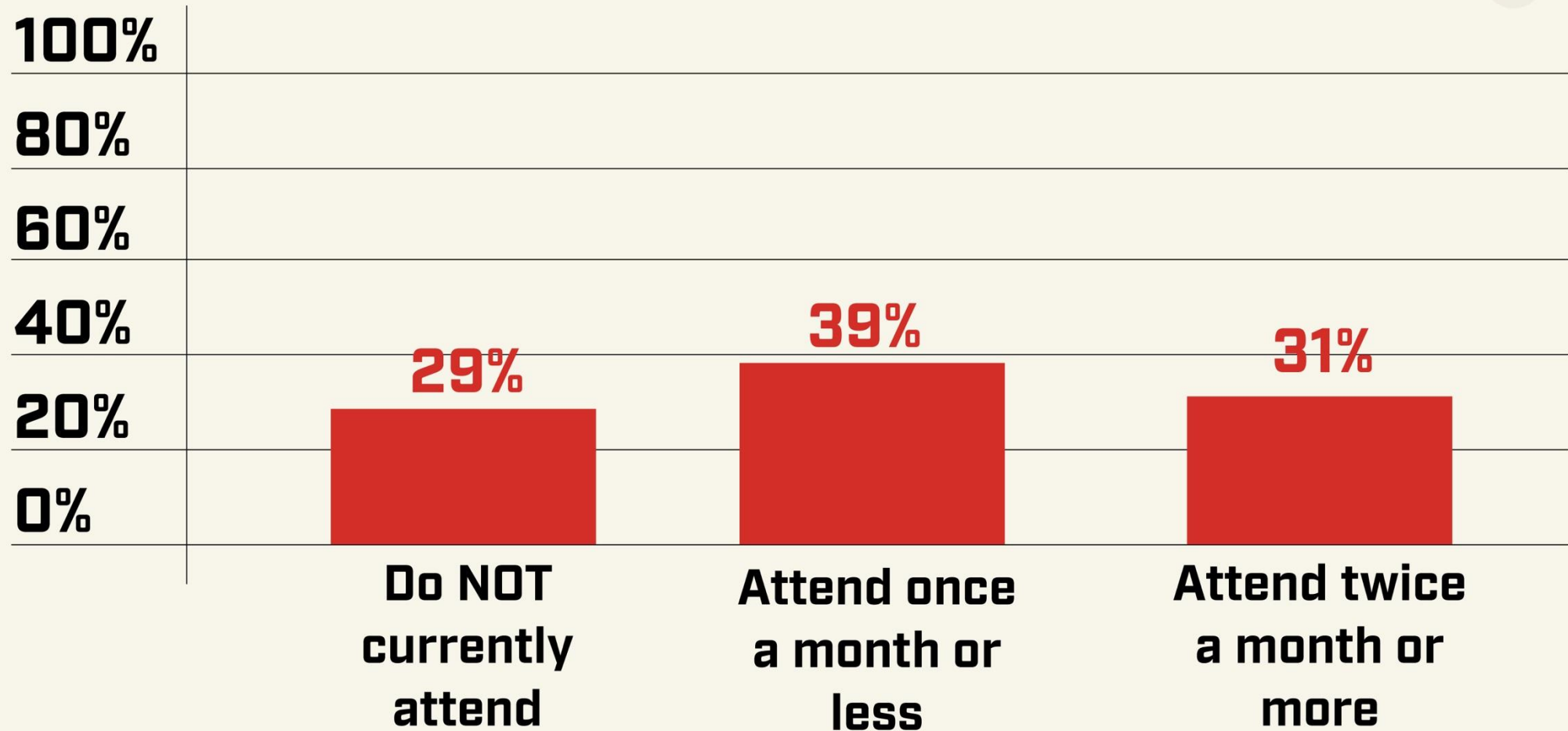




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Current church attendance among those who dropped out between ages 18-22



Contributed to decision to start attending church again

