# Our System For Boys is Broken



- 93% of people going to jail are male
- 75% of suicides are male and the biggest killer of Australian teen males
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest killer of teen males is autocide (car). Teen males die 6:1 to females

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#### Mental Health

- Diagnosis and medicating for depression, anxiety, and ADHD is sky rocketing
- Only 5-8% of those prescribed anti-depressives need\* them. But the current medical model of 'fixing' people wrongfully dominates mental health
- Nearly 100% of boys are exposed to porn and addictions are increasing

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### **Belonging and Purpose**

- 39% of people have no close friends. 40 years ago the average person had 5 close friends
- Young people who feel they having meaning and purpose in life has dropped from 70-30% in last 40 years

# Our System For Boys is Broken FAITH Trends



- Males make up just 39% of church attendees
- 80% of teen males will walk away from faith within 10 years

### More info to come

- Absent fathers
- Addictions (gaming, pornography, drugs, etc)



### A light at the end of a tunnel



- "The number one factor enabling kids to rise is how many father figures there are generally in the community, more so than just a father in the home". Roland G Fryer Jr (Professor of Economics Harvard)
- The biggest researched influence (and its huge) on the continuation of faith into adulthood is the presence of a father with active faith.