

# Justin Karl Interview

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Fraternity/Sorority: Delta Tau Delta  
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University/College: University of Georgia  
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Why did you decide to go Greek? As a social experience.

What is one funny or memorable story from your Greek experience so far?  
Kayaking down spiral grand stair case of our house with my brothers.

When did you start to follow Christ?  
-Right after turning 17 in early 2004

Please describe an event that has been a significant milestone in your spiritual journey.

-There is a girl that I dated for a time and eventually found out she didn't really have relationship with Christ. We stopped dating yet continued to talk about God often. After much prayer and conversations she decided to pray with me to receive Jesus Christ as her savior. That was first time I ever got to lead someone to the Lord and seeing His Holy Spirit work so mightily in a girls heart I care so much about was unbelievable.

Please describe a person that has had a life-changing impact on you.

Drew Zieler, he is actually a junior at Texas A&M and a member of FIGI. I was on project with him this summer and he was my roommate and now would consider one of my best friends. His walk with Christ as fraternity man my age amazed and inspired me. He had started Student Venture at his high school and then with his best friend went Greek in college for the purpose of reaching them for Christ. The way he lives is so encouraging and gave me the courage and desire to start a ministry here at Delta Tau Delta.

When did you start to reach out to your fraternity/sorority? Why did you?

I didn't purposely and strategically start until this semester. Before then I was a Christian with little vision for the house other than trying to increase my personal growth. I started to care about e life and soul of the guys around much

more than my own life and see the importance of sharing Christ in a intimate relational setting.

Is there a Greek movement (study, meeting, organization, etc.) in your House? On your campus? Please explain it for us.

Yes, another brother in the house and myself lead the group movement here at Delta Tau Delta. We have weekly bible study in the house, special outreach programming events with our pledges teaming up with our favorite sorority to make it more social and inviting, along with discipleship of new believers in Christ. Everything is built on prayer, strong fellowship and Campus Crusade supporting us in every way.

On campus our Crusade has several houses its trying to reach through mostly Bible studies.

Please share one or two stories of God using you to reach out to Greeks in your House or on your campus.

1. My best friend in the house decided to start coming to the Bible study and now has decided to whole heartedly pursue a greater relationship with Christ and use weekly discipleship meetings with me in order to aid his growth.
2. Another guy in the house has gotten involved in house ministry and become revitalized in his faith and decide to by disciplined by me as well.

What are you expecting God to do in your House or on your campus in the next few years?

We have a long list of visions drawn up, mostly to see every delt get to experience the gospel and come to faith in Jesus Christ, or become a stronger believer. We expect nothing less than everything, and have complete faith in his will. We want our house to be radically different from when we leave. Our fraternity would No longer an animal house fraternity but a fraternity where every member gets the opportunity to accept Christ or grow in their faith.

After graduation, what do you plan to do?

It's really up to God and wherever he leads me. My majors' points in the direction of possible ministry work or possibly work with the State Department.

What hobby or activity makes you come alive?

I love the outdoors and sports. Hiking, boating, fishing, camping, rock-climbing, any body of water, surfing, rugby, football, softball or beach volleyball or any other activity that is enjoys life.

What book has had the most impact on your spiritually?

Redeeming love. I have read a lot of spiritual books, this one was so personal that revolutionalized my perception of God's love.

What is one piece of advice to give a Greek student out there who is trying to start a Greek ministry in their House or a Greek movement on their campus?

Prayer. That boat ain't going to float without prayer. Second, its tough to do it alone so find a like minded brother or sister in Christ and develop a strong fellowship. Third, have a great vision, dream big or go home.