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### Life Skills Class

Our Youth Life Skills class with Tom is every Wednesday night at 7pm for all Youth grades 7-12.

Don't miss these great lessons that you can immediately apply to your own every day life.

In this way, we can be identified as followers of Jesus and children of God because He loves the ungrateful and the wicked in the same way as He does those who love Him.

We said that when we treat others in the same way that God treats us we identify ourselves with God who created us in His image.

We agreed that this is definitely one of the most difficult things that Jesus commanded us to do and said that it is difficult to the point of even being impossible to do without God. If we were left to our own desires we would give in to our sin nature and never treat "mean people" with grace and mercy.

Since it is not possible any other way, when we respond to "mean people" with love and kindness we are showing others the power of the Holy Spirit who lives in us and the power that God has to transform our lives with his goodness which draws others closer to God through our actions.

We finished by discussing practical ways that we can **Love, Do Good, Bless and Pray For** the "mean people" in our everyday lives. We asked for the Holy Spirit to guide us and for God to give us the strength to follow through and treat others the way that He treats them, even if they are "mean" to us.

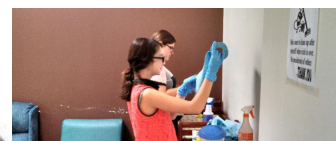
We noted that if the situation is dangerous or physically abusive, we should still Love and Pray for the "mean person" but do so from a "safe distance" instead of directly addressing the person.

We remembered that all people who are mean are not necessarily mean people and we could always pray that God would help them heal whatever it is that is making them act mean and our kindness to them could be the first step toward their healing.

Join us next time as we continue to talk about how Jesus expects us to deal with "mean people".

### Upcoming Events

**THIS SATURDAY!** Our monthly community service at Tempe CPS will be on Saturday (April 25th) We



meet at LWA at 9:30am and return after lunch.

Email us with any questions.



Keep your eyes open for more awesome 1 Youth events coming soon!

**Bible verses referenced in this lesson:** Luke 6:27-36, Leviticus 19:18, Genesis 1:26

Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,

Chris & Michelle Miller  
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