



provide an ongoing monthly community service project with the Department of Child Services (DCS).

On the 3rd Saturday of each month we meet at 10:00am at the DCS offices located at 1201 South Alma School Road (on the SE corner of Alma School and Southern Ave.

We typically spend about an hour or so cleaning the family visitation rooms and the toys that the children play with while they are there.

Please join us and be a part of this blessing we bring to these children, to their families and to the tireless workers at DCS.

#### Foster Care Teens Personal Care Items

**1 Youth** is continuing to collect "Personal Care Items" for the teens in foster care throughout the year. Items for both male and female teens are being collected in the two bins just outside our youth room. These items will be sorted into personal bags and given to DCS to be distributed to teens who may not even have their own tooth brush or comb.

Whenever you're out shopping for your own personal care items such as soap, deodorant, tooth paste, feminine hygiene items or when you see the "travel size" shampoo, mouthwash, etc., pick up a few extra items and drop them in the bins.

Help share God's love

God and sin cannot co-exist.

We said that is why the New Covenant, made through our faith in Jesus Christ is so amazing. Christ reconciles us with God through Himself by way of our faith in Him. Through Him, our spirit is made new as it was in the beginning.

Since Satan was so successful with Adam & Eve, he uses the same deception on us today, convincing us that there is something wrong with us, that God cannot love us, etc. He even used the same tactic with Jesus in the wilderness but it didn't work with Jesus because Jesus knew who He was.

Regardless, Satan still tries to get us to doubt who we are as Children of God. He gets us to believe that we must do things to earn God's love. All we need to do is remember we already have God's love and everything we need for life and Godliness with the Holy Spirit in us.

When we truly believe who we are as Children of God, we know we have the same qualities as Adam & Eve first had, made in the image of God. We don't need a list of rules telling us right from wrong. We have the Holy Spirit in us who will lead us to only good. We were created with everything we would ever need.

When we know who we are, there is absolutely nothing that Satan can offer us in temptation.

We finished by asking, "Who told you that you are naked?"

- Who told you that Satan and the forces of Hell have any control over you at all?
- Who told you that your faith in Christ's forgiveness wasn't enough and that you needed to sustain it yourself by what you do and don't do?
- Who told you that you're not good enough for God's love and forgiveness?
- Who told you that you have the ability to lose the life of Christ in you?
- Who told you that you need to earn God's love?
- Who told you that God is disappointed in you?
- Who told you that God would leave you?
- Who told you that you've crossed the line this time and God's grace is no longer enough?
- **WHO LIES TO YOU?**

The enemy tells you all these things but the truth is that you are **NOT** naked. As a believer in Jesus Christ, you are fully clothed in His righteousness forever, and are full of God's Holy Spirit. Remember that nobody can ever take that away from you and always remember who you are as a child of God.

by letting these teens know that somebody really does care about them.

## Watch for our next event here!

Watch here for Winter Jam information, Christian music's largest annual tour! 10 of your favorite Christian bands plus a relevant uplifting message with more than 10,000 of your closest brothers and sisters. We will post as soon as we have dates, cost, and artists.

*Note: The event is typically near Veteran's Day in November and will likely cost \$35-\$40 each.*

**Bible verses referenced in this lesson: Genesis 3:6-13, Genesis 2:7, Genesis 4:7, 1 John 3:9, 2 Corinthians 5:18-19, John 6:28, John 6:29**

Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,

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1 Youth Ministry