

SKIT

Tina and Tom come to Suzy's house to see her.

"Knock, knock"

Tina: Hi Suzy. We missed you in Sunday School today. What's up? I haven't seen you there for 3 or 4 weeks?

Suzy: Oh hi, guys. I'm okay. I just slept in today. My dad took us to see Revenge of the Monster Massacre and we got back late.

Tom: Ugh!

Tina: Well, Suzy, we came by to tell you Brother Alan is taking the youth group out for ice cream this afternoon . . .

Suzy: I have homework. Mrs. Taylor's English paper. They're due tomorrow you know.

Tom: I know. I finished mine yesterday.

Suzy: Lucky! I wish I had mine done!

Tina: What did you do yesterday?

Suzy: Well, we had soccer practice in the morning and a game in the afternoon. Then the team went out for pizza.

Tom: And your dad took you to the show . . .

Suzy: Yeah, that's about it.

Tina: So, I guess you can't go with us to Youth Group?

Suzy: No, I can't.

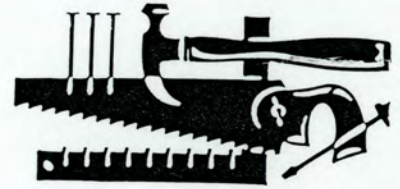
Tom: We're going to sing for some elderly shut-ins, then going for ice cream.

Suzy: I've gotta finish this paper. My cousins are coming over at 7:00 tonight and we're going to play Paint Ball.

Tom: Paint Ball's a blast, but what about church, Suzy? You used to go with us.

- Tina: Yeah, after Youth Camp you came all the time! Now it seems like hardly at all.
- Suzy: C'mon guys, you know how it is -- I'm a Christian, but . . .
- Tom: But what?
- Suzy: But I still have my life! My friends and things I like to do . . .
- Tina: Okay then, how about Wednesday night Bible Study? We could pick you up at six and grab a burger.
- Suzy: Uh, well, Wednesday night wouldn't work. That's when my favorite TV shows are on. I couldn't miss them.
- Tom: I guess we'd better go, Tina. Let us know if you change your mind, Suzy.
- Tina: Yeah, we have a great time serving God. And, you know, Jesus said that "No man can serve two masters."
- Suzy: What are you getting at?
- Tom: It's the things done for God that will last. We should put Christ first and His work, and other activities in our life after that.
- Tina: Suzy, Jesus doesn't want you to not have any fun -- He wants you to put Him first in your life, and He'll fill your life with good things.
- Tom: Yeah, I have a great time playing basketball, but it's not the number one thing in my life -- Jesus is.
- Suzy: Oh, you guys are right. I've been putting off the Lord so long I don't think I have any faith left.
- Tina: Well, you can make some choices, Suzy. Like, what's more important -- Paint Ball tonight or getting things right with God?

Christian Maintenance



Text: Romans 12:1,2; 1 Thessalonians 5:15-22; 1 John 2:15-17

Key Verse: Ephesians 5:11

1 What is meant by "present your bodies a living sacrifice"? See Romans 12:1.

2 How do Christians renew their minds? See Philippians 4:8.

3 Why can the Christian give thanks in everything? See Romans 8:28.

4 What does it mean to "abstain from all appearance of evil"? See 1 Thessalonians 5:22.

5 Explain why a person cannot love the things of the world and love God at the same time. See Matthew 6:24.

Jesus Has Chosen You!

A Christian has to live in this world but should not love the things of the world. The following verses tell some of the ways a Christian can keep his or her life centered on God's love. Each of the words that are in upper-case letters are hidden in the word-find. Find and circle each one.

“See that none render evil for evil unto ANY man; but ever FOLLOW that which is GOOD, both AMONG yourselves, and to ALL men. REJOICE evermore. PRAY without ceasing. In EVERY THING give THANKS: for this is the WILL of God in Christ Jesus concerning YOU. Quench not the SPIRIT. DESPISE not prophesyings. PROVE all things; HOLD fast that which is good. ABSTAIN from all APPEARANCE of evil.” — 1 Thessalonians 5:15-22

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OUT OF THIS WORLD!

What's the difference between loving the world and controlling the things of the world that we find all around us in our everyday lives? Where can we find the help we need to preserve our Christian relationship with Christ? God's Word is filled with all the help and promises we need. Complete the verses that follow with the words supplied in each box, and take note of the importance of each word as it is used in its verse.

And let ours also learn to maintain good works for _____ uses, that they be not _____, — Titus 3:14

NECESSARY UNFRUITFUL

Keep thy _____ from evil, and thy lips from _____ guile. — Psalm 34:13

SPEAKING TONGUE

Keep thy heart with all _____; for _____ of it are the issues of life. — Proverbs 4:23

OUT DILIGENCE

Endeavouring to keep the _____ of the Spirit in the bond of _____, — Ephesians 4:3

PEACE UNITY

And the peace of God, which passeth all _____, shall keep your _____ and _____ through Christ Jesus. — Philippians 4:7

MINDS HEARTS

UNDERSTANDING

But the Lord is _____, who shall _____ you, and _____ you from evil. — 2 Thessalonians 3:3

STABLISH FAITHFUL KEEP

Lay hands suddenly on _____ man, neither be _____ of other men's sins: keep thyself _____. — 1 Timothy 5:22

NO PURE PARTAKER

See that none render evil for _____ unto any man; but ever _____ that which is good, both _____ yourselves, and to _____ men. Rejoice _____ Pray _____ ceasing. In every thing give _____: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench _____ the Spirit. _____ not prophesyings. _____ all things; hold _____ that which is good. Abstain from all _____ of evil. — 1 Thessalonians 5:15-22

ALL AMONG DESPISE
NOT PROVE WITHOUT
EVIL FOLLOW EVERMORE
FAST THANKS APPEARANCE

Pure religion and _____ before God and the Father is this, To _____ the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself _____ from the world. — James 1:27

VISIT UNSPOTTED UNDEFILED



AVOIDING SATAN'S

Tempting times

REQUIRES SPIRITUAL MAINTENANCE!



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GOSSIP



Daily devotions



Sunday School



HOLY BIBLE
Bible Study



Lesson 36
Text: Romans 12:1-2,
1 Thess. 5:15-22,
1 John 2:15-17