

JULY 11th FOX CREEK EVERGREEN CLASSES THE GIFT OF A CLEAR CONSCIENCE

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This should give you more than enough to engage your own heart, form questions, inspire activities, and direct conversations with your class. Remember, creativity as a teacher and parent comes as a result of your own meditation and inspiring by the Spirit - and initiative with others.

Key verse:

"But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith."

- 1 Timothy 1:5 How do each of these elements contribute to our personal spirituality?

Today we will talk identify and explore the part of us that is our **conscience**.

What part of us is our conscience?

How does it relate to our mind, our heart, our soul, and our body?

David and Saul's robe (1 Samuel 24). What was bothering David? What kinds of things bother your conscience?

Paul (Acts 24:16) How did Paul work on this? What do you think this looked like?

Paul & Timothy (1 Timothy 1:5,19; 3:9; 4:2; 2 Tim 1:3) What did Paul teach Timothy about a clear conscience? What is a clear conscience?

How do we know if we have a clear conscience or not?

Some ideas for youngers:

Draw a simple diagram of mind, heart, soul, body as you have this conversation/add happy images! What are the good things about knowing that everything is well between us and God? What kinds of things make you feel guilty? What can we do about these kinds of things?

Some ideas for olders/teens:

How does a conscience get seared? (1 Timothy 4:2) (like meat on a hot grill) How do burns and cuts get better?

The mirror conversation:

"But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his natural face in a mirror; for once he has looked at himself and gone away, he has immediately forgotten what kind of person he was. But one who looks intently at the perfect law, the law of liberty, and abides by it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an effectual doer, this man will be blessed in what he does." - James 1:22-25