

Parent Notes

**Second Baptist
Church**

GRACEFUL WARRIORS

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By now many of your 6th grade students are a little accustomed to coming in with the youth on Wednesday nights. Hopefully they feel that they have been well received and they are enjoying themselves. This is certainly a change from them as they leave AWANA with all of its games, rewards, and other fun events. Now they are in a time where we sing (craziness I know), have a loonnnnnnng Bible lesson (according to them), and all of the games are a little funny and grown up.

Beginning September 2 we will start a 12 week series entitled Graceful Warriors. This series will conclude the week before Thanksgiving. During this series students will have an opportunity to win some prizes by passing certain standards: memorizing Ephesians 2:1-10, 6:10-18 (it looks hard but this is just an average of 1.6 verses every week), being in attendance at least 7 out of the 12 weeks, and possibly a few other minor things. Every student who has been present all 12 weeks

will have their name entered twice, and those who bring their Bible every time will also have their name entered into the drawing another time. Those who complete these objectives will be eligible for a prize drawing that will be made the last week of the series, on November 18th. If you ever have any needs or questions please let us know how we can serve you.

ALWAYS explain yourself when talking to kids!

A couple had two little boys, ages 8 and 10, who were excessively mischievous. They were always getting into trouble and their parents knew that, if any mischief occurred in their town, their sons were probably involved.

The boys' mother heard that a clergyman in town had been successful in disciplining children, so she asked if he would speak with her boys. The clergyman agreed, but asked to see them individually. So the mother sent her 8-year-old first, in the morning, with the older boy to see the clergyman in the afternoon.

The clergyman, a huge man with a booming voice, sat the younger boy down and asked him sternly, "Where is God?"

They boy's mouth dropped open, but he made no response, sitting there with his mouth hanging open, wide-eyed. So the clergyman repeated the question in an even sterner tone, "Where is God!?" Again the boy made no attempt to answer. So the clergyman raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face and bel-lowed, "WHERE IS GOD!?"

The boy screamed and bolted from the room, ran directly home and dove into his closet, slamming the door behind him. When his older brother found him in the closet, he asked, "What happened?"

The younger brother, gasping for breath, replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time, dude. God is missing - and they think WE did it!"

Communication
Outreach
Prayer
Encouragement

Join a COPE group this Sunday morning!



Ladies and Gentlemen;
 Start your engines!
 Race Night for Middle School 6-8 grade
 September 18th 7 - 9pm
 Come ready to race!

Pancake Propulsion!

Join us this Sunday morning for a pancake breakfast in the church social hall. We will start eating @ 9:45. This is a welcome time for all upcoming 6th grade students. This is also your opportunity to sign up for the COPE group that you want to join!

GRACEFUL WARRIORS

A fighter at the core; with skill, training, and desire, which is only overshadowed by an ability to respond sensitively to the needs of others

Needs

- *A personal relationship with the Ultimate Warrior – Jesus Christ*
- *A personal understanding of what God has done for me through Jesus*

Warrior Characteristics

- *Willing to test everything they do to see if it helps in their warrior lifestyle*
- *A deep burning desire to win the fight, no matter the cost*
- *A willingness to spend the time and energy to equip themselves for battle*
- *Willing to pick themselves up after a defeat and begin the process again*
- *Willing to understand the meaning of sacrifice*

Graceful Characteristics

- *Remember at all times that people, especially those in distress, are our focus*
- *Always aware of their surroundings and those associated with them*
- *A willingness to understand the needs of others no matter the effort*
- *Willing to polish their behavior so they can accurately reflect grace in all things*
- *Learn to recognize warrior qualities in others and begin to encourage them*

A Lock-in of Historical PROPORTIONS!

Oct 11

- 👉 4:30 Leave for Fun Place
- 👉 8:30 Supper at church
- 👉 9:30 Worship service

Oct 12

- 👉 8:00 AM Pick up by parents

There will be lots of fun and games and everyone is encouraged to attend and celebrate NO SCHOOL in honor of Christopher Columbus.

Guest musician: Eric McKinley

Guest speaker: Logan Philips

Cost is \$15