

Protecting Our Children

3-Part Curriculum for 8th-Grade Students

What is covered: Authentic Love vs. Counterfeit Love, Identity in Christ, and Social Media Dangers.

The Program Covers the Following:

- The difference between authentic love and counterfeit love.
 - The importance of developing our identity in relation to God.
 - The negative impact of false identities based on lies and deceptions.
 - A greater understanding of temptation's role in our lives and the gift of our free will.
 - The common vulnerabilities that predators look to exploit.
 - Discussions on illusion vs. reality.
 - An understanding of what sextortion, sexual exploitation, and human trafficking are?
 - Understand the potential dangers of all Social Media Apps and Gaming Apps.
 - The 7 Stages of Grooming.
 - What they should do if they find themselves in unhealthy situations.
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Adults walk away with:

- A designated presentation for parents & caregivers on social media and online gaming safety, and how to keep youth safe from sexual exploitation.
- The tools and resources to protect our youth.
- Resources on healthy conversation starters.
- Peace of mind that youth and adults have a common understanding of online dangers, including sexual exploitation, sextortion, pornography, and human trafficking.
- Security that the Catholic/Christian faith is incorporated throughout all three sessions.

Students walk away with:

- A greater sense of self-worth and understanding that God wanted them to be.
- An understanding between authentic love and counterfeit love. More importantly, that they are worthy of Authentic Love.
- Knowledge of social media and gaming app safety.
- Reassurance they are not alone when facing negative peer pressure to engage in sketchy, dangerous, or immoral activities.
- The knowledge, tools, and support needed to help them make good choices in what they do and how it translates into their everyday life.

Time and Cost:

- Each session is completed in the classroom during school hours.
- The sessions can be 40 minutes to 1 hour, depending on the school schedule.
- Cost: \$400

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*Today's lesson
made me realize
that the mistakes
I made don't
identify me.*

8th Grade Girl

*"I had no idea about the
different stages of
grooming."
8th grade girl*

**"I learned that we are not the sum of
our mistakes"
8th grade boy**

**"I like the donuts and
that you were so nice
and truthful."
8th grade boy**

***"I have not been the
best anymore. Just not
happy. It's nice to hear
I Am Worthy of Love
and I can grow to be
better."
8th grade boy***

***"I just wanted to say
thank you for your
time and what you did
for us. This is a touchy
subject for me and
you've made it very
comfortable to talk
about."
8th grade girl***

***"I learned some better ways to love
myself and care more about my
thoughts and feelings. Thank you for
helping me not harm myself last
week."
8th grade girl***

**"The real life stories that
actually happened helped me
understand how real these
situations are."
8th grade girl**