

A script from



“Duct Tape Confessions”

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What Two high school students wear duct tape over their mouths to make sure they don't accidentally say something about their faith and offend someone.

Themes: Witness, Boldness, Faith, Sharing

Who Teacher
Layne, a new girl at high school; Christian, but obviously new
Kynzie, classmate that befriends Layne. Pleasant, but cautious
Carrie, smug Christian
Biff, smug Christian

When Present

**Wear
(Props)** Backpacks
Desks

Why Romans 1:16, 1 Peter 3:15

How Keep the dialogue conversational and the energy up.

Time Approximately 7 minutes

Teacher has a classroom of 4 students sitting in desks. **Biff** and **Carrie** are wearing duct tape on their mouths, while the other two students do not. Teacher walks to the door and lets **Layne** into the classroom. **Layne** hands teacher a slip of paper that signifies her place in the class.

Teacher: Class, we have a new student today. Let's make her feel welcome. (*Leads the class in clapping.*) Layne, you can take that empty seat right there. Ok, class keep working on your assignments and let me know if you need help.

Kynzie: Hey, I'm Kynzie.

Layne: I'm Layne. Nice to meet you.

Kynzie: You too. (*Turns to give Layne her full attention*) So, what's your story?

Layne: My story?

Kynzie: Yeah, where are you from? What do your parents do? Got any hot brothers?

Layne: Ah, THAT story. Um, I'm from Kansas, my dad's an architect and my mom stays at home. I have one annoying 10 year old brother who is cute, but not hot.

Kynzie: Hmmm. Too bad. (*Turns back to work on her home work*)

Layne: (*Gets out her books and paper and looks around the room at the different people in the classroom. She notices two student in particular who have duct tape across their mouths.*) Hey, Kynzie.

Kynzie: Yeah, what's up?

Layne: Yeah...so what's the deal with the two back there with duct tape on their mouths? Is that some kind of class project or something?

Kynzie: Ah, no. That would be Biff and Carrie. Kinda weird, huh?

Layne: To say the least. What's their deal?

Kynzie: Well, Biff and Carrie are the class religious nuts.

Layne: Oh! Oh...can you clarify "religious nut" for me?

Kynzie: You know, believe in God, bring their Bibles to school, attend Christian club kinda nuts.

Layne: Oh...so they're not like crazy cult nuts. They're just Christians.

Kynzie: Sure. Whatever term you need to relate to. I guess. I think they're nuts. I don't know much about them really. I see them around and stuff. They carry Bibles with them and wear religious tee shirts and stuff. So, yeah, I guess they would be Christians. I don't know.

Layne: But, what's with the duct tape? Is that some kinda of cruel joke or are they taking a stand against something? I don't understand.

Kynzie: Beats me. All I know is that outside of class they act like fairly normal teenagers, talking to their friends and hanging out in their huddles. But, when they are in class or around people who aren't religious, they put duct tape on their mouths.

Layne: Really?! That's crazy!

Kynzie: See? Told ya. Nuts.

Layne: *(Turns to one of the duct taped students)* Hey. Excuse me.

Carrie: *(Looks and smiles at Layne, but doesn't really engage)*

Layne: Hi. I'm Layne. You're Carrie, right?

Carrie: *(Nods)*

Layne: So, what's with the duct tape?

Carrie: *(Shrugs her shoulders, but still doesn't engage.)*

Layne: Alright then. *(Turns back around in her desk, obviously not getting anywhere with Carrie. She takes out a notebook and sets down her books on the floor between her and Carrie. Carrie notices a Christian book on top of her book pile and lights up with a smile.)*

Carrie: *(Partially takes the duct tape off her mouth and speaks to Layne).* Hey! Is that the new Francis Chan book?

Layne: *(Surprised that Carrie is speaking to her)* Yeah. It's pretty good.

Carrie: Wait. Are you a Christian?

Layne: Yes, I am.

Carrie: Oh, good! Nice to meet you! I'm Carrie, which you already know! So, what church do you go to? How long have you been a Christian? Who's

your favorite Christian band? I LOVE the new Lauren Daigle sound!! Hey, Biff! *(Turns to get Biff's attention.)* Meet Layne... *(gives a wink)* she's one of us!

Biff: *(Partially takes off his tape)* Oh, hey! Nice to meet ya. *(Points to himself)* Biff.

Layne: Hey. So, guys. What's with the tape?

Carrie: Shhhh!!! *(Looks around suspiciously)* We don't talk about the tape. In fact, here's your roll. You're gonna need it. *(Hands Layne a roll of duct tape.)*

Layne: Listen, you all are going to have to do some explaining here. I don't need duct tape.

Carrie: Layne, every Christian has to wear this around here. We can't just say whatever we want and talk about Jesus and stuff. It's the 21st century, you know.

Layne: Wait. You guys wear this tape so you won't say anything about your faith?

Carrie: Well, yeah. We'd probably get into trouble if we did, so we just use this tape to make sure we don't say anything that would offend someone.

Teacher: Ladies, I need you to keep it down and get back to your work.

Layne: Sorry.

Carrie: See?

Kynzie: *(To Layne)* They're awfully chatty. What did they say? They NEVER talk to anyone but their own. Wait. Don't tell me you're a religious nut, too?

Layne: I am a Christian, if that's what you mean.

Kynzie: *(Chuckles)* So, where's your duct tape?

Layne: Not needed.

Teacher: Ok, class. Go ahead and put your stuff away. We have just a few moments until the bell. Layne, I was wondering if you'd be willing to come up and tell us a little about yourself.

Layne: Ummmm...sure. *(Walks to the front of the class)* Well, my name's Layne Foxmore. I'm from Kansas. I like running, Snapchatting and hanging out with my church youth group.

Carrie and Biff start waving and trying to stop **Layne** from talking about religious stuff.

Layne: *(Notices Biff and Carrie, but continues...)* I'm most passionate about mission work and doing ministry with children. In fact, just this past year, I had the opportunity to travel with my church to South America and help build a church. We shared Jesus with an entire village of people and it was the most amazing experience I've ever had.

Carrie and Biff continue to squirm in their desks.

Layne: So, that's me. I'm pretty easy to talk to and like meeting new people, so I hope to get to know some of you better.

Teacher: Thank you, Layne. That was really meaningful.

Layne returns to her desk.

Carrie: Are you CRAZY?! You can't just go around and talk about Jesus like that! What are people going to think? You could ruin your witness.

Layne: How is sharing my experience with Jesus going to ruin my witness? Isn't that what the disciples did after Jesus left them in charge?

Carrie: Well, yeah, but...

Layne: Listen, our relationship with Jesus is very personal, but it should never be private. We have to share what Jesus has done and is doing in our lives with people.

Carrie: I don't know...seems too risky...

Layne: For who? The only person at risk are people who don't know Jesus personally. It's not about me, it's about Him.

Carrie: Well, hang on to that duct tape. You never know when you might need it.

Bell rings for the end of class. Students start to exit classroom.

Kynzie: Hey, Layne. Thanks for sharing about your mission experience. That was cool. I always thought that people who did stuff like that were weird

missionary-types. You don't seem like that...or like them (*points to Carrie and Biff.*)

Layne: Thanks, Kynzie. That's sweet of you to say. Wanna hang after school? I'm new, you know. Besides, I've got a new roll of duct tape and who knows what we could make with this stuff!

Kynzie: Awesome! And I want to hear more about your trip! That sounds amazing!

Lights out.

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