

A script from



"If God Had a Facebook Account"

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What Janet learns that her son Timmy is being bullied on Facebook by so-called "friends" at his new school. Teased for being a Christian, the circumstance creates a teachable moment for Janet to share with Timmy how he can pray without ceasing and that if God had a Facebook account He'd write amazing things on Timmy's wall.

Part of the *Train Up A Child Series*, it's a funny and touching skit to help believers of all ages know and remember what they believe.

Themes: Bullying, Living Out Your Faith, Parenting, Prayer, Childlike Faith, Back to School, Facebook

Who Timmy, played by an actor who can look under 10 yrs
Janet, his mom, in her 30s

When Present day,

**Wear
(Props)** Tablet (iPad)
Table
Chairs

Why 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Matthew 5:10

How Keep the dialogue conversational, making it a very natural conversation.

Time Approximately 4 minutes

Timmy is sitting at a table in the kitchen resting his head in his hands. The family's tablet sits unused on the table. Janet walks in and sees him slouched.

Janet: Timmy, your brother and sister are outside, don't you want to go out and play? It's a nice afternoon.

Timmy: Not really.

Janet: Well, why don't you go on the tablet then? You're done your homework and it's a Friday. You know you're allowed 45 minutes.

Timmy: I don't ever want to use the tablet again.

Janet: Timothy Simon Markwell, something's going on. What's wrong?

She sits down beside him. Timmy picks up the tablet, taps the screen a few times, and shows her the screen.

Timmy: Look what the kids at my new school are saying about me.

Janet takes the tablet from him and scrolls through.

Janet: Oh sweetheart, when did this start?

Timmy: I thought they were my friends.

Janet: How long has this been going on?

Timmy: The teacher had each of us share 3 of our favorite things in class on Tuesday. I said I loved being with my family, watching football and going to church. What's wrong with that?

Janet: Nothing at all. Those are wonderful things to share.

Timmy: But look at all those mean things these guys are saying. I thought it was good to be a Christian.

Janet: It is.

Timmy: They don't seem to think so.

Janet: Not everyone will.

Timmy: I thought if I went on Facebook they'd like me.

Janet: That's not the reason to go on Facebook.

Timmy: Should I delete my account?

Janet: I don't think so.

Timmy: Should I fight 'em?

Janet: Definitely not.

Timmy: That's what Jack said.

Janet: I'll talk to your brother later. And your dad and I will speak with your teacher and with these kids' parents. But you know what you and I should do?

Timmy: What?

Janet: We both should take a break from Facebook for a while and do something else with our time.

Timmy: Like what?

Janet: We could pray. How about every time you and I feel like going on Facebook this weekend to see what people are saying or doing, we pray instead?

Timmy: That's a lot of praying.

Janet: I know.

Timmy: Is that even possible?

Janet: In the Bible, it says that we should pray without ceasing. I think most people think that's not really possible, but when you see how much people are checking their phones, texting, emailing, you realize that if you can text or Facebook without ceasing, then it's possible to talk with God just as much as we do with other people.

Timmy: But what if God feels the same way these kids at school feel about me?

Timmy slouches again, downcast.

Janet: Look at me.

Timmy looks up at his mother.

Janet: That's impossible.

Timmy: How do you know?

Janet: Because I don't get my view of myself from Facebook, I get it in the good Book.

Timmy: The Bible?

Janet: Exactly. God loves you and has good plans for you, Timmy. If God had a Facebook account, you know what he'd write on your wall?

Timmy: That he loves me?

Janet: Absolutely! And so many other kind and encouraging things.

Timmy: Like what?

Janet: Like how proud he is of you. How he thinks you're courageous and kind. But he doesn't need Facebook because he's telling you about his love all the time in the Bible, when you pray, through the kindness and love of others. And you get to share His love with others at school, even with what you post on Facebook.

Timmy: You're going to ask me to pray for these bullies, aren't you?

Janet: Yes. Because that's what people who love God do.

Timmy: But what do I do when I go back to school on Monday?

Janet: That's one thing we can pray about together.

Timmy: Ok. Let's try it. But mom?

Janet: What bud?

Timmy: Can we pray without ceasing and then have some ice cream?

Janet: Absolutely.

Lights out.

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