

Living with a Lukewarm lifestyle.

Into: The WWJD bracelets, in elementary....it was like an awanas club thing if you were cool or not cool....

- Ever bought your spouse a gift and they Didn't acknowledge their gift?

- Imagine Jesus—Steps out heaven—Holy—Endures torture.

- You experience forgiveness of sins. Life to the full.

- Living word at fingertips—Access to God through prayer.

- Charges you with spiritual purpose—Gives you same spirit

- Go day in day out—without jesus ever crossing your mind.

- WWJ-Undo? Lukewarmness : Not new to our generation. Meh/Cow

Ex. Scottie wreck...

Book of Rev, Jesus wrote **letters to 7 churches**

Laodicea: wealthy city, 35 years earlier destroyed by earthquake:
Rebuilt. Theaters, Stadium, Lavish public baths, Shopping centers. Vegas

Major problem: **Inadequate water supply**

Both had purpose—Cool and refreshing—Hot—Medicinal. By the time the water got **Laodicea**—Dirty, Tepid—Lukewarm.

¹⁵ *I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!* ¹⁶ *So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.* Revelation 3:15-16

You are: **Spiritually Stale, Depressingly Detached.**
Doesn't just **Break my heart**—**Turn my stomach**—**Spit you out.**

The Tony Evans everyday English version breaks it down like this....

“Y'all make me want to throw up”

- **TWO CAUSES OF being Lukewarm!**

1)SELF-SUFFICIENCY.

¹⁷ *You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.... Rev 3:17*

- The laodiceans said, I have become wealthy and need nothing. But the external appearance of prosperity was not indicative of the condition of their hearts or their true fellowship with god.

I'm good: we have things of this world to make us comfortable

-You have worldly wealth—Spiritually bankrupt. “God doesn't ask you when you get to heaven how much money ya got”

-Lives are full of stuff—Empty of meaning.

- You think your ok, but in the end your stuff, your jobs, your houses your worldly stuff is empty of meaning.

- When you invest all of your time and effort into “stuff” god has a funny way of reminding you that it doesn't matter

- 2)DISTRACTIONS OF THIS WORLD.

But the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful. Mark 4:19

Spiritual growth cannot happen when God’s kingdom is marginalized in life.

Bills pay, Places be, People meet, Selfies take so it looks like i am important, stuff to post about how you don’t like the government and how many guns you have.

When in reality none of that matters....

“Feeling numb isn’t the absence of feeling—but the sensation of feeling too much at once.” Unknown

Little bit of Jesus—Just enough make feel better. Not so much... LIVING WITH LUKEWARM Lifestyle.

Here are some things that may point out your living in this life.

1. We're more concerned w/impressing people than living for God.

Rather than living for a god that is forever we are more concerned with impressing people's opinions that don't matter..

Luke 16:15 Then he said to them, "You like to appear righteous in public, but God knows your hearts. What this world honors is detestable in the sight of God.

2. We're obsessed with life on earth rather than eternity.

What I have over what I'm called to do—Loves world, love father not in.

- 3. We rationalize sin and live without truly fearing God.

Not as bad as others

Not hurting anyone—One thing.

So you say, Selfishness isn't big. Everyone gossips. Only looking at porn.

- 4. We believe in Jesus, but we rarely share our faith.

We are embarrassed about our faith.

We never think about him

We are in too much of a hurry to stop when the holy spirit gives you the opportunity.

- 5. We only turn to God when we need him.

Rather than seeking him daily

We seek him when he benefits us.

He's a tool we use when we need

Not a God I fear and worship.

- 6. We're not much different from the world.

Watch the same movies, Enjoy the same music, Same morals.
Before long—Raise kids the same way they have 15
boyfriends/girlfriends, Divorce as often.

**Being lukewarm, doesn't just break Jesus' heart
Makes him want to vomit**

- How can you reignite your walk with Jesus?

Word, Pray, Witness, hangout with other believers, Give, Worship,

• **EVERY DAY, DO SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES FAITH.**

- Stand up for something even though I know I'm going to be mocked.
- Give when it's a stretch for me to give—trust God.
- Apologize to someone—Forgive when you don't feel it. • Volunteer
- Reach out to someone that God put on my heart even though.
- Expose yourself to something that breaks your heart.
- Pray for something that's impossible.
- Attempt something you could never do without God's help.

I believe that Without faith it is Impossible to please God.

Lie most believe: Easier not to care. Better to not get involved.
It's better to **hurt with a purpose** than to **exist without one**.

¹⁹ *I correct and discipline everyone I love. So be diligent and turn from your indifference.* Rev 3:19 NLT (Faith)

Everyday do something that requires faith

- More concerned w/what God is calling you—people think about you.
- Suddenly you are living for what lasts—rather than for what doesn't.

- Instead of rationalizing sin—Confessing—Holy—Power.
- You are bold in Spirit—People are amazed by your boldness.
- You turn to God when you need him—Daily—Moment by moment.
- You are different—you are a follower of Christ.

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Am I a follower of Christ or am I Wretched. Pitiful. Poor. Blind. Naked.

Open the door—Invite him in.

²⁰ *Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.*
Rev 3:20

Accept the gift