

Computer

We have been created for a purpose.

Prep

Get a laptop, a plate, a small amount of food, and a napkin.

Mark your Bible to Matthew 22:37-39.

Demonstration

Hold up the computer and ask your class what they like to use this object for.

After they give some answers tell them that you like to use this laptop only as a little lap table.

Sit down and put it on your lap and then put a plate and napkin on top of it and proceed to eat something off the plate.

Object Lesson

“Have you ever seen a laptop computer used only as a table? That would be such a waste, wouldn't it?”

You can use a computer for many things. You could lay it down, put a little tablecloth on it and make it a small table. You could stand on it as a small stool. You could open it and use its screen as a really poor mirror.

If you use a computer for anything other than a computer, it is a big waste of all the potential the computer has, like using the Internet, typing stories on it, playing games, etc.

God created you with specific purposes special for your life. Obviously you can be and do a lot of things, just like a computer, but the challenge is finding the special things God created you for and doing them to the best of your ability.

Our main purpose is to love God more than anything and then to love other people.

Jesus says in Matthew 22:37-39, *“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”*

God has also created each of you with important purposes unique to just you. You have special gifts and talents from God. You may not even know yet what your special gifts and talents are, but you can find out by praying and asking God and possibly by asking other believers, too.”

Wrap Up

“We have been created to love God and others and to use our special talents and gifts from God. We can be like a computer that is used the right way, or we can be like a computer used for a lesser purpose. We have to decide.”