

## FORWARD FROM DRTINA LAMONT // Director TEC



Dear Friend,

Welcome to 2017. Another new beginning serving Jesus in the ministry He has called us to. In reflecting on this I am still in awe of what it means to be a Christian, chosen by God, truly unbelievable! In your Ministry, as in ours, there are many challenges. Perhaps the most subversive of these are the small, annoying distractions that take our eyes off Jesus.

In this series of Care Conversations, Stephen provides us with a "compare and contrast" exercise. He tells us that the "no-God" version of the Biblical passages in this series arose from things sent to him (through very convoluted means) from agents of chaos related to that demon "Screwtape". Apparently their general area of operation was across Australia, and their collective code name is "Lords of a Mozzie". You may see the persistently buzzing and

annoying tone within their work

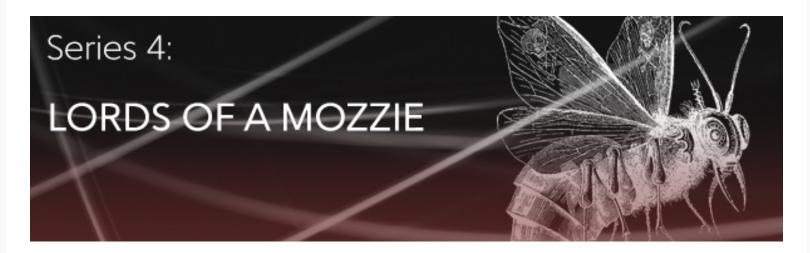
God Bless you all.

Sincerely,

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The Apostle John wrote a lot about loving each other and loving God. Augustine summarised this by describing the purpose of learning being to improve the "two-fold love" – love of God and the other.

But this imperative to love seems to very easily get lost in the translation of everyday life...

The NIV Translation John 13:34-35	The Aussie No-God Translation (from Lords of the Mozzie)
34. a. A new command I give you	34.a. Here is an interesting suggestion to give you something to talk about with your friends
34.b. As I have loved you	34.b. Take whatever parts of my life that you want to comfortably copy
34.cso you must love one another.	34.cand apply it where you think it will work for you.
35.a. By this all men [people] will know that you are my disciples	35.a. And all those who know you will not be offended and may like your choice
35.bif you love one another.	35.bif you get it right, because we do not want any offence, ever, to others

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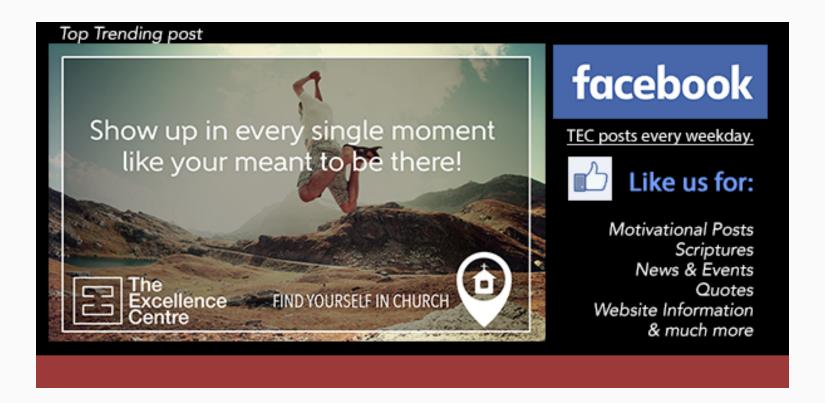
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