"How Can I Be In The World But Not Of The World?"

September lessons center around the commandments.  The first lesson is titled "How Can I Be In The World But Not Of The World?  Good question!!!

Courage to stand for our beliefs is how we can stay "out of the world."  We also need to arm ourselves with the "Whole Armor of God."  We have to live in this world but we do not have to follow the downward spiral that society is taking.

I used parts of the following talks to prepare the slides:
Quentin L. Cook, “[Being in the World but Not of the World](https://www.lds.org/youth/article/being-in-the-world-but-not-of-the-world?lang=eng),”
Robert D. Hales, “[Stand Strong in Holy Places,](https://www.lds.org/general-conference/2013/04/stand-strong-in-holy-places?lang=eng)”
Elaine S. Dalton, “[Remember Who You Are](https://www.lds.org/liahona/2010/05/remember-who-you-are?lang=eng),”
David A. Edwards ["Ready For Battle"](https://www.lds.org/new-era/2014/09/get-ready-for-battle?lang=eng" \o "" \t "_blank)
New Era January 2009 ["The Armor of God"](https://www.lds.org/new-era/2009/01/the-armor-of-god?lang=eng" \o "" \t "_blank)
The videos are all great.  I also liked one of the supplemental activities in the outline (see below).  I did not include it in the slides but if you have time in class (or as an activity) I think it could be a powerful experience!

* Ask the class to make a list of commandments that might be difficult for young women their age to keep. Invite each young woman to choose one item from the list and use the scriptures, *For the Strength of Youth,* and her own experiences to give advice on how to overcome temptation to disobey this commandment.

The handout is just a reminder that we need to have COURAGE NOT COMPROMISE!!!

Have a great lesson!