

## Importance of Communication

Years ago, I had an altercation with an antagonist, speaking with the intent of, as Paul said, “thinking to raise up affliction for me:” or so I had concluded. Having denied the allegation, I said, “You know exactly what you are putting in the mind of the hearers.” To which, he replied, “I am not responsible for what people think.”

Really? Let's try that on for size.

Two guys are sitting at a restaurant and the attendant is taking drink orders. One guy says, “I'll have some H<sub>2</sub>O,” the other, “I'll have some H<sub>2</sub>O too.” Result, one's thirst was quenched, the other died. A difference in what was said and what was heard.

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