

Which One are You?

“...the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked” (1 John 2:6).

Friends, how do people view you? What do they say about you? Are you helpful? Do you put other's needs above your own? Are you a good example Christ at work in you?

There are over 400 people where I work. There are some people where I work who profess to be Christians and most of them are incredible. I love working with them, and others do too. One thing I love is how I continually see Philippians 2:3 (Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself) actively at work in their life. They are a reflection of our God.

Unfortunately, there is also one lady who has been there for almost 30 years and her behavior is anything but Christlike. She boldly claims to attend church, brags on things she does at church and talks excessively about herself. She is disliked by so many because of how she treats most of her co-workers. She is not only completely self-absorbed, she creates an uncomfortable atmosphere every where she goes with her chronic complaining about others and deep love for herself. I could go on about her behavior but I think you get the point. I have prayed many times for her, and have longed to talk to her about the damage she does to the name of Christ...but she is completely unapproachable.

Love is proactive. It encourages, is responsive and pays attention to others. The more you get focused on loving others more than yourself, the more love you'll carry for those around you. You cannot forget that your relationship with God is very much displayed in the way you treat those around you.

Jesus set the ultimate example of how to treat others. You are literally called to share in other's burdens. By doing this, you show Christ (Galatians 6:2). You are literally called to be patient with others, and making allowance for their faults because of God's love towards you (Ephesians 4:2).

Today, purpose in your heart to shift your thoughts towards others. Look for ways to make someone's day better. Let your life impact them for Christ!

“Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” (Philippians 2:3-8)