

## *Actions vs. Attitudes*

To change the way  
people act,  
first alter their  
attitudes.

Attitudes are the branches;  
actions, the leaves.  
Attitudes are the stems;  
actions, the flowers.  
Attitudes are the reservoirs;  
actions, the streams.

Proscription of bad actions  
without conversion  
of evil attitudes  
is ineffectual.  
Exhortation of good actions  
without the presence  
of proper attitudes  
is undesirable.

Actions are on  
the surface;  
attitudes lie  
much deeper.  
Actions are seen  
from the outside;  
attitudes are discerned  
from within.  
Actions are expositions;  
attitudes are dispositions.

Realize, therefore, that  
**repentance**  
is not merely sorrow  
for actions,  
but also a reform  
of attitudes.

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