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## Power of Attitude

Next to knowing Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, nothing is more important than having a good positive attitude. Your attitude can make or break you, heal or hurt you, make friends or make enemies, it can make you happy or make you miserable, it will make you successful or make you a failure.

### **1. Your attitude will reveal the real you.**

Your attitude is more important than facts or circumstances. It's more important than what others say. It's more important than your past or your education or your money. Your



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## Consistency

### **Consistency allows for measurement.**

Until you have tried something for a period of time and in a consistent manner, you can't decide if it works or not. How do you measure effectiveness if what you are measuring isn't performed consistently? You may be in a place of helping people and you feel like there are no significant results, but you can't stop giving of yourself. You must keep up the good work. Be consistent and let God do the rest. You never know what results will or have occurred. Just keep at it and TRUST

attitude is more important than anything else. Your attitude is much deeper than just a few thoughts, it comes out of your core being. Your attitude represents your outlook, your very character.

Ride down the road with someone in 5 o'clock traffic and you will see the real them.

*(Psalms 23:7) As a man thinks in his heart, so is he.*

*(Mathew 15 17-20)*

*Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man:*

## **2. Your attitude will be the success or failure of every relationship in your life.**

Your attitude effects every relationship in your life. Sometimes your attitude will hinder relationships from starting in your life because your attitude is so bad that people don't want to be around you. Bad attitudes can affect your marriage, your relationship with your children, your relationships at work, or even at church. Sometimes

in God. Be consistent in your prayer life. If you don't know how to pray or what to say, just give it over to God and TRUST that He knows what is best. Say the prayer, "not my will but thine be done". Be consistent in your prayer life and don't be afraid to WAIT.

### **Consistency creates accountability.**

If you are assigned to a job, whether it's church related or not, you should always be accountable. The Lord holds us accountable for that which is given to us. It applies to your family, your church, your job, or anything in your life. Be faithful to whatever you are assigned. If you give your word that you are going to do something, please be accountable for it and be consistent with continuing your assignment. Be the person at your job, home, or church, that everyone KNOWS they can count on when something needs to be done.

### **Consistency establishes your reputation.**

Many efforts fail before they get to the finish line, but not because the tactic was flawed or goals weren't clear. It's usually because you don't stick around long enough to see the finish line. When you fail to be consistent with your assignment, you lose credibility. Your reputation is very important in the business world, but even more so in the Christian world. How can people believe in your testimony if you have a reputation of

the things that we criticize or get stirred up about are not always the problem. Most of the time the problem is our own bad and sour attitude. I've seen attitudes destroy homes and families and board meetings and church services.

### 3. Your attitude is a choice

I understand that we can't choose what happens to us today. It's beyond our control, but we can choose the attitude in which we deal with it. You may have had some hard times with bad marriages or bad health but the attitude choice is still yours. For us to blame our bad attitude on someone else is a cop out!! We can't let other people cause us to be negative in our response. We have to maintain a good attitude in all things.

(Romans 8:28)

*All things work together for good to them that love God and are the called according to His purpose.*

Let me share a story with you that I recently found on the internet.

#### TWO SEEDS:

Two seeds lay side by side in the fertile soil.

The first seed said, "I want to grow! I want to send my roots deep into the soil beneath me, and thrust my sprouts through the earth's crust above me ... I want to unfurl my tender buds like banners to announce the

giving up all the time, or if you never finish a job, or if you speak negatively about your co-workers, or your pastor, or fellow church member? The Bible says in Proverbs: *A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.*

### Consistency makes you relevant.

If people see and know your reputation as being consistent in your office, then you become relevant to that person. Being relevant means you are connected to the matter at hand and people have confidence in you because you have been consistent in your reputation. Don't underestimate the power of being relevant in any situation. You must maintain a consistent relevance to anything in which you are involved.

### Consistency maintains your message.

People pay as much or more attention to what you do as to what you say. Consistency in your leadership serves as a model for how they will behave.

If you treat church as unimportant, don't be surprised when you find they are doing the same thing. If you're not consistent in your faith, how can others believe in what you say you believe?

You say you believe in healing and yet you are constantly referring to your bad health. You say you believe that God is in control but your actions prove that you are worried all the time about what may happen. Your

arrival of spring ... I want to feel the warmth of the sun on my face and the blessing of the morning dew on my petals!"

And so she grew...

The second seed said, "HmMMM. If I send my roots into the ground below, I don't know what I will encounter in the dark. If I push my way through the hard soil above me I may damage my delicate sprouts ... what if I let my buds open and a snail tries to eat them? And if I were to open my blossoms, a small child may pull me from the ground. No, it is much better for me to wait until it is safe."

And so she waited...

A yard hen scratching around in the early spring ground for food found the waiting seed and promptly ate it.

Have an attitude of living life to your fullest potential. God has called and designed us to be all that we can be for Him. We have to have an intentional attitude. Everyday intentionally have a good attitude and outlook on your day and relationships because you never know who is watching you and who can bring your dream or destiny to pass in your life.

Don't be afraid to tackle the challenges of life. Be willing to say I can do **ALL** things through Christ who strengthens me.

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consistency shows the message of who you really are. Be consistent with what you believe and allow your actions to follow. Don't allow your tongue to negate the message you want to people to hear. Be consistent with positive thoughts.

*Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.*

*My thought for the day:*

**We are what we repeatedly do.**

Consistency is the difference between failure and success.

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