

Devotional: Having A Right Attitude

Children's Devotion about our Attitudes

Read: 2 Corinthians 11:24-33 (NKJV)

If anyone understands disappointments and hardships, Paul does—yet he maintained a right attitude.

How do we react to disappointments? How do we react when we don't get our own way?

No matter what disappointments or frustrations we face in life, we can either let it get us down or not, depending on how we handle it—which is our attitude.

If we have an attitude of self-pity and feel that it's 'not fair', then we won't rise above it, instead we will feel miserable.

It takes on a whole new meaning when we choose to respond in a more loving way. Especially in an area where someone else seems to be getting his or her way above what we wanted. To have a right attitude, we need to stop feeling sorry for ourselves when we don't get our own way. This is a hard lesson to learn, because it does hurt and makes us angry. But we do need to try to choose to react lovingly. Taking on a wrong attitude, for whatever reason, causes us to become bitter inside and feel as though the whole world is against us. This is a sad and lonely place to be in.

God loves you and wants you to be free from the hurts and anger that results in having a 'bad attitude'.

There are going to be disappointments and frustrations in life. People do let us down. The key here though, is to seek God through it all and allow His love into the situation. Ask Him for the help you need in how you will respond to it all.

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. - James 1: 2-3 (NKJV)

Lord, I pray that I may develop
An attitude that honours you
No matter what trials I may face
With gratitude, help me through.

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