**Adult Sunday School**

October 28, 2007

**A Desire to make people Happy**

A Dramatic Lesson on How to Treat Others

How should we treat other people?

Luke 10:35—*And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him,* ***Take care of him****; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.*

1Tim. 3:5*—(For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)*

Mat. 7:12—*Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.*

Luke 6:31*—And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.*

Ephesians 4:32*—And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.*

* There is absolutely no limit to kindness
* There is absolutely no limit to tenderness
* There is absolutely no limit to forgiveness.

1. The manner in which we treat others

The manner in which we treat others has a lot to do with the kind of persons we are.

* If we are kind we treat others kindly.
* If we are disrespectful, we treat others disrespectful.

Our actions reinforce either a kind nature or a disrespectful nature.

* Kindness bears the fruit of kindness;
* disrespect bears the fruit of disrespect.

So with all the good virtues and bad character traits.

* 1. Have a mind for unity— Eph. 4:3
  2. Have a method for unity— Eph. 4:13

Disunity is not of God. God did not put us upon this earth to fight and argue and war against each other. God created us to live as brothers and sisters, walking together throughout life in a spirit of unity, building together that which is productive and fruitful and fulfilling.

* Unity and brotherhood

**This is the clear teaching of God's Holy Word.**

Matthew 22:39—*And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.*

Romans 12:9—*Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.*

1 Corinthians 1:10—*Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the* ***same mind*** *and in the* ***same judgment.***

2 Corinthians 13:11*—Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.*

1. The manner in which David treated people

II Sam.19:1-43

1. Behaviour

You can’t make people happy that are not Holy but you can show them Happiness through Holiness.

John 13:15—*For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you*.

17—*If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them*.

1 Peter 4:8—*And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.*

9*—Use hospitality one to another without grudging.*

10*—As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*

1Tim. 3:2*—A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;*

Titus 2:3*—The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;*

Psalm 101:2*—I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart*

1Cor. 13:5*—Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;*

1Tim. 3:15*—But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.*