The Role Ethics Has Played in My Life

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Looking back at my life, there are many ways that ethics have impacted me in one way or another. The role of ethics didn’t really grasp me till I started looking back at my life. One situation that I can say really influenced the role of ethics on my life was an incident that occurred back when I was in middle school. Trying to fit in, I decided I was going to get into a fight. Looking back at the incident almost 10 years later do I realize how stupid my motives were to begin with. In the end it wasn’t even throwing the first punch or being sent to the principal’s office that influenced me. What was really eye opening was when my Dad came to pick me up. I was expecting to be in big trouble when I got home but what changed my perspective was when my Dad turned and just asked a simple question. “What did you get out of the fight? What is different now that you threw a punch?” At that moment was when I realized how stupid my reasoning was.

Looking at the stupidity that fired up the whole situation I realized my mistake. Throwing a punch, and tainting my school record just to try and fit in with a “cool” crowd. I can definitely say that ethics is something that doesn’t just come out of nowhere but needs to be taught. Even though I have had my share of mistakes big and small, Ethics have made me who I am as a person. A fine line between right and wrong has influenced the way I view myself as well as being able to treat others fairly. Ethics isn’t just a list of right and wrong, but a foundation that one’s life is built around. Growing into an understanding of ethical mistakes is what causes everyone to have regrets from their past. Mistakes will always happen, but the important side is understanding the consequences to the mistakes and learning from them.