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(but should be) “Don’t Dismiss the Key Persons”



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"Every great and commanding moment in the annals of the world is the triumph of some enthusiasm." -Ralph Waldo Emerson

Enthusiasm spells the difference between mediocrity and accomplishment. If you are not enthusiastic in your position on life, you may not be positioned properly. Life should be an ebb and flow ... peaceful and joyful! It should not be pressure upon pressure and a constant grate. When I say positioned properly, I speak very broadly. Position is defined as an act of placing or arranging. This can include your career, your geographic location, your relationships or your belief system. I will be the first to tell you that your belief system will have a **key** effect on every area of your life. It can be a system of building up, or of tearing down. It can bring blessings or curses. Your belief system plays a major part in how you feel about yourself, others, your job, your location and just about everything in the world in general!

Negative people are never very enthusiastic, nor are insecure people. They are like roller coaster rides, constantly moved by their feelings, or by what someone else thinks about them. They may be hyper-active one minute, and super depressed the next. I think that I would rather have a negative person around me, than an insecure one ... like God ... I would rather that you be Hot or Cold ... lukewarm kind of makes me want to spue. Walking with insecure people is like walking on egg shells, you never know when you may slip and crush one of their broken spots. This is not to say they don't need relationships or to be built up, but to build a relationship with someone insecure, is very difficult and tiring.

You may have noticed that negative people and insecure people never accomplish much in life. They are both so very inwardly focused that they don't build relationships well. They almost never build great businesses or organizations. Negative people and insecure people, simply exist from one low to the next, or from today's high to tomorrow's deep depression. They are in need of a new belief system so that they may walk in the fullness of life and have good relationships with others. It is vital to be positive and secure if you are to be a kingdom builder, and live your life to the overflowing!

There are so many people who have no idea who they are, or why they are even here on planet Earth. They don't even know their own personal values. They are merely existing . To even think of being like that is depressing to me. I can't imagine living my life so inward and isolated. Oh, that people would understand who they are, to know their value, to be excited about life and all that is out there to explore and enjoy. There is so much to be **enthusiastic** about ... so much to accomplish!

I might ask here ...

Do you enjoy quiet time?

Are you content whether you are alone or with someone?

Do crowds make you nervous?

Do you keep people at an arm's distance (fearful) of what they might see, hear or find out about you?

Are you afraid to see others as they really are?

These are things that bother most negative people and most insecure people. To be quiet would be painful. There is no contentment in negativity and insecurity. Crowds intimidate and irritate such people. And they don't dare look deeply at others or allow themselves to see the real persons that they are.

Does it irritate you when others differ from you ... it does negative and insecure people.

It irritated the Pharisees and Sadducees when Jesus was here on earth. They did not know what to do with such a secure man, as Jesus. He was a man who knew who He was, and also knew His divine purpose. He knew it to such a degree that other people's ideas, persecutions, or unwelcoming attitudes did not distract Him; even the cross did not detour Him.

Motivational people are secure people. I am not talking about everyone who calls themselves motivational, I am talking about people who actually motivate others in life. Many call themselves leaders or motivational but they are far from it. Leaders lead. Motivational people motivate! True leaders and motivational people attract others; they are magnetic. They compel others to be better through a divine and proper belief system of truth. This is exactly what Jesus did, and why we should be reflecting Him in all we do and say.

Although motivation people are secure and magnetic, they also know how to walk in love with the unlovely and remain free among those who are bound by deception. They do not allow other's negativity or insecurity affect (or might I say infect) them. They exude positive energy (life and light) without allowing others' negativity to draw them into unhealthy realms of darkness.

There was never, nor again ever will be, anyone who was more of a leader or more motivational on planet Earth than Jesus Christ. He is our "prime example" to follow. When you find out who Christ is, and who you are in Him, you will be at your best in life. And life will give it's best back to you.

Jesus is a peace giver, joy distributor, excellent teacher and was perfect in relationships. His life was not mediocre, but full to an overflow. He knew how to live positively in a negative world, and how to walk in power and authority while dismissing negativity as a wrong belief. He dispelled darkness with light. He saw the needs of people, looked into their hearts with understanding, and yet fulfilled God's plan, without losing his zeal or sense of purpose.

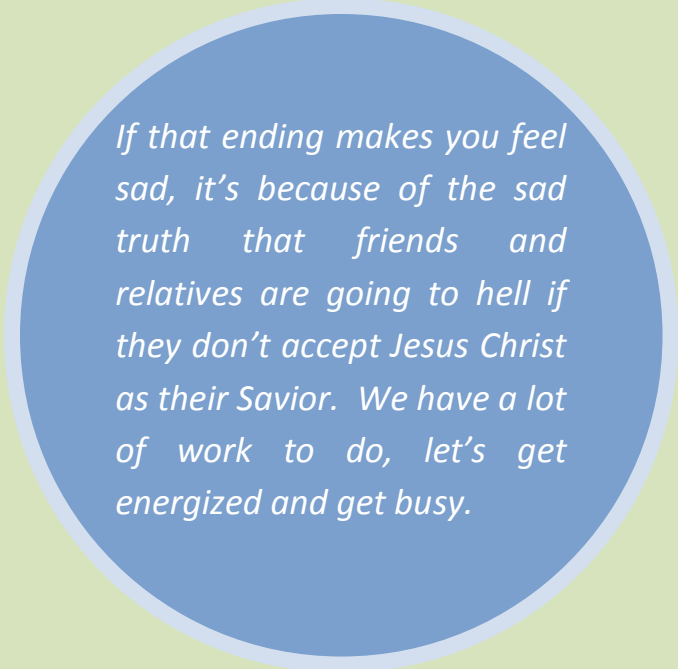
People misrepresent who you are. They don't really know you. And many may have misrepresented Jesus Christ. To actually know a person you must relate to and with them. When people have misrepresented me, I felt badly. No one wants to be written off because of a misrepresentation. The best way to find out about a person is to get to know them. So it is with Christ. Unless you have met Him, gotten to know Him ... you actually don't have any idea of who He is or what He is truly like. To write off a person before you know them, may be to dismiss a **key** person in your life.

To dismiss "**The Key Person**" in every man and woman's life in all of creation (not just in this little world), is the mistake that many people make with the person of Jesus Christ. You see, people look at Christianity as one of the religions of the world. And, I guess, that is true. But Jesus Christ is not a religion. He is a person. **He is the most important person in the world.** Through Him and no other person, you may enter into a personal relationship with the One, (and only), True, Living God. On your own, you might try to enter into the presence of a Holy and Sinless God; only to be rejected, because you and every other human being is immersed in sin and God will have nothing to do with it. No one can succeed in that quest...except the actual Son of God, Jesus Christ; who himself is without sin and is Holy. And even though He was in this world, he did not become immersed in sin like the rest of us, but maintained a flawless relationship with God the Father. Now when I tell you these things, they probably have no more impact on you than any other doctrinal statement made by any other religion in the world. In fact people have asked me: "What makes your Bible any more important than the Koran, or the Dhammapada, or the Kung fu tzu or Ta-ts'ang-ching?" That in and by itself is a good question. But the truth is that I had a personal experience with God, through Jesus Christ before I even read the Bible. And after I had experienced that real change in my life; the Holy Spirit led me, in that gentle and sophisticated way that only the Holy Spirit can, to read the Bible and become familiar with what God would like from me and what God would like to do for me. So, you see, doctrine written in a book, (the law written on stone tablets), didn't convince me to follow Christianity or any other "anity". It was that personal, one on one, connection with God, through Jesus Christ that changed my life (and very much so, at that, because today, 39 years later it's still at the center of my

attention). When something actually happens to you; when your heart is touched, or your addiction disappears, or your troubled mind is made calm; or “once you were blind but now you can see”, when that SPECIAL thing happens to YOU and it’s not just some story you heard or some teaching you read, but it’s some REAL THING that takes place in your REAL LIFE and you KNOW IT, that’s when you become ... a what? A Christian? A Son of God? A Believer? It really doesn’t matter what the title is; what does matter is that **God touched you once, and you want more.** More of God in your life. More supernatural power in your life. More understanding in your life. And then the Holy Spirit steps in and carries you exactly there, where you want to be, right into the midst of the things of God. And you won’t want to give that up, ever!

SO YOU’RE EXCITED ABOUT IT AND **ENTHUSIASTIC** TO TELL OTHER PEOPLE YOUR OWN PERSONAL “GOOD NEWS”.

You want to tell others what happened to you, and how great it is, and that it’s all real, and that they can do it too.... and then they say, I DON’T BELIEVE IN GOD, religion is the opiate of the masses. And they write off Jesus just like that, and dismiss a **key** person in their lives....and don’t even know what they ‘re doing to themselves and what they have just given up.



If that ending makes you feel sad, it’s because of the sad truth that friends and relatives are going to hell if they don’t accept Jesus Christ as their Savior. We have a lot of work to do, let’s get energized and get busy.