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Ephesians 6: 7 & Colossians 3:23 "Doing your job with Jesus as the supervisor"

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KJC's: Do You Need a Clean-Up?

"Sowing the Seed":

In our daily jobs it seems like the driving force for many of us is Energy—Attitude—Appearance (EAA"s), and I guess we can't forget to mention that money is a pretty big reason for working as well. None of these drivers are a bad thing and neither is money. The important issue is how we take each one into perspective.

The Bible doesn't say, "Money is the root of all evil", it states "The love of money is the root of all evil". Money can stir up a lot of different types of thoughts. During one of the messages at our Church, our Senior Pastor brought up the passage when Mary poured the "expensive perfume/oil" on Jesus at Simon's house. The men who were present when Mary did this immediately focused on the fact that she was wasting this precious fragrance or putting it another way......wasting money. Through their indignation, they missed the point....Mary was honoring Jesus and focusing on Him. She wasn't wasting the perfume, she was anointing Him for his burial. Our Pastor challenged us to understand "What our fragrance is"....is it for the good of others or for ourselves.

It is also important that we try to approach Energy, Attitude and Appearance in a way that is exemplified through Jesus himself. It is easy to judge others by the way they look, communicate or act. There is another twist though......others, especially non-Christians can judge us through our EAA's. An old saying is "Actions often speak louder than words." If we claim to be Christians but do not show it in our actions we could, and probably will turn others away. Christian men need to be a light to others in a 24-7 manner....24 hours a day, 7 days a week, both at work and in other settings.

Don't worry, we all falter at some time or another because we are human. There is hope. Put your sinful thoughts and desires to death. Give them up and give yourself a clean-up. Jesus took our sins to the Cross with Him. Everyone can be cleansed or saved. Even those who think they are too for gone. Think about the Apostle Paul and read the verses below to clean yourself and have a fresh new fragrance!!!

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Read the following verse from The Bible:

- Galatians 5:19 to 24
- Colossians 3:5 to 11
- 1 Timothy 6:10
- James 1:19
- John 12:1 to 8
- Matthew 26:6 to 13
- Mark 14:1 to 9

Discuss these KJC's with others! Remember, Christ is with you! Matthew 18:20