

The Supreme Blessedness of Possessing A Right Attitude (I)

*"Yes, we know that all things go on working together for the good of those who keep on loving God."
(Rom 8:28, Charles Williams)*

An attitude is an inward intention and feeling towards life expressed by a positive behaviour. The invaluable goodness of a right attitude lies in this fact: It's not what happens to you that matters, but what happens in you that makes the great difference! Indeed, you cannot control what happens to you, but you can control what happens inside you (your reaction). An attitude is a master of good choice. Let us concisely review the importance of maintaining a good attitude in our outlook in life.

1) Your attitude determines your perspective. When the Israelites faced the giant Goliath, they think: "He's so big, we'll never defeat him." But David had a different outlook: "He's so big, I can't miss him."

2) A good attitude causes you to see the potential in every situation. Paul declared, *"But I want you to know brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel."* (Phil 1:12)

3) A positive attitude possesses peace that possess understanding. *"Be anxious for nothing...and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."* (Phi 4:6,7)

4) Adversity can be turned into blessing by your attitude. *"Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all."* (Ps 34:19)

5) A victorious attitude will successfully endure the fires of adversity. *"My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing."* (James 1:2-4)

Your problem will never stay permanent if you learn to lean upon God's wisdom and grace to resolve it. People with the least problems often have the biggest problem because of the way they react to their problem. When God is with you, you can never be defeated (2 Tim 4:17-18).

The late Dr. Oral Roberts was a great overcomer in life because he knew that his attitude determines his altitude. He overcome enormous obstacles and financial distresses to build the Oral Roberts University and the City of Faith Medical Center in Tulsa. For his classic motto was his attitude in life: "something good is about to happen to you today!" Truly, everyday is a good day in Christ Jesus if you choose to believe it. (Ps 118:24)