

ATTITUDES

Colossians 3:2 ... “Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.”

Perhaps nothing influences your own mental health, spiritual stability, and relationships with others more than your attitudes...and, yes, you have multitude attitudes. Your attitudes about life, your circumstances, and the people you interface with, are not necessarily a product of satan’s influence. As we have often said here, we are born with a sin nature that taints every aspect of our thoughts and deeds until we realize that we need a savior and ask God to be our primary influence.

Satan is more than happy to help you develop a poor attitude. However, you are fully capable of doing that without his help. The difference between a believer and an unbeliever, is that believers have a supernatural power through God and his Holy Spirit to align our attitudes in accordance with God’s will, and defeat sin. That being said, not every believer submits to the Holy Spirit, leaving many believers with bad attitudes about something...or many things.

Today’s verse addresses our attitudes. You could translate it as: Adjust your attitude to consider spiritual matters as most important. Other verses support this same theme:

Isaiah 26:3 ... “You [God] will keep him [man] in perfect peace, whose mind [attitude] is stayed on you...”

Romans 12:16 ... “Be of the same mind [attitude] toward one another. Do not set your mind [attitude] on high things, but associate with the humble...”

Do you struggle with a bad attitude? We all do from time to time. But as you mature in your relationship with Christ and allow the Holy Spirit to influence your thoughts and actions, bad attitudes can become infrequent and short-lived. It is sad to see people – especially Christians – who live their entire lives with bad attitudes that destroy their relationships, their health, and their witness for Christ. If you have a poor attitude about something today, confess it to God and ask him to heal your wounded heart so you can experience victory in Jesus.

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