

## A Positive Christian Attitude

1. **No matter what happens, look for the good and you will find it.** (Mt. 7:1-5). A positive thinker does not refuse to recognize the negative; he just doesn't dwell on it.

2. **Be an ambassador of good works to every person you meet.** "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver" (Proverbs 25:11). Be like the man who greeted every day with the words, "This is exactly the kind of day I wanted."

3. **By an act of the will, fill your mind with what is positive.** "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Phil. 4:8).

4. **Never surrender to negative emotions.** (Eph. 4:31-32). A good way to fight weeds is to plant thick, healthy grass.

5. **Practice the principle of replacement.** "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good" (Rom. 12:21). Replace anger with love and fear with faith.

6. **Bar the suggestive and immoral from your mind.** "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God" (Rom. 12:2). Keep your mind clean by fellowship with God.

7. **See the good in others.** "Jesus saw Nathaniel coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile" (John 1:47). Practice the "as if" principle. If you wish to possess a qualification or emotion, act as if you already have it.

8. **Determine to take an attitude of love and goodwill toward others.** (Phil. 2:1-4). Change your attitude toward people, and their attitude will change toward you.

9. **Express appreciation and warm feelings to others.** (Phil 1:19-20). One of the most healing therapies in the-world is to give oneself in friendship and service to another person.

10. **Practice positive prayer.** "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them" (Mark 11:24). Pray believing. Jesus Christ is the great attitude transformer. "Be renewed in the spirit of your mind" (Eph. 4:23).

- Author Unknown - via Calvert Church of Christ, Calvert City, KY

*There's no danger of developing eyestrain from getting on the bright side of things.*

### News & Notes

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:** Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m., and Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. The Covid-19 restrictions apply (masks & distancing).

**CONFESSION & RESTORATION:** Chris Lamb. Her address and phone: 78 Preakness Drive, Chester, WV 26034. Phone: (304) 459-3281. Please add this information to your directory.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To MaClay Moore on being hired by the Hancock Co. School Board as a special needs teacher for pre-K children at New Manchester. Best wishes to McClay as she embarks on her teaching career.

**ADDRESS:** For Jeremy & Karen Main if you would like to contact them on becoming new parents. Address: 1636 State Avenue, Coraopolis, PA 15108.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Resumes Tuesday, August 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Men, plan to be here for an hour of Bible study with your brothers.

**NORTH CENTRAL OHIO BIBLE LECTURESHIP:** Friday - Sunday, August 6 - 8, Lorain, OH with different speakers. See schedule on the bulletin board.

**PANTRY:** Quaker oats.

**SICK & SHUT-IN: AT HOME:** Tim Martin, Beulah Walker, Marilyn Miller, Barb DeLong, David McCoy, Marlene Evans, Russell Martin, Emma Rine, Alex Harless, Rick Beck. **CALCUTTA HEALTH CARE:** Sarah Miller (Room 6). **VALLEY OAKS CARE CENTER:** Fred Larrimore (Room 210). **IN TENNESSEE:** Steve Higginbotham. **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl.

### Picture Gallery Of Past Members

Submit black & white or color pictures of past members and friends of the Chester church. These are to be displayed in the cabinets in the basement to establish a visual history of the church here. If you have questions or want to submit pictures contact David Malcomson.

### HIS TRUTH MARCHES ON

The indictment of Isaiah against his generation, a people who had temporarily succeeded in turning truth upon its head, is no less applicable today: "Woe unto them that call evil good; and good evil, that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!" (Isaiah 5:20,21).

Though Isaiah's generation perished in captivity the truth continued to march on. Their calling "evil good; and good evil" did not make it so.

We face a similar challenge today, when right is called wrong and wrong is called right; when all things "gay" are assumed to be good, while God, oddly enough, is portrayed as one of this world's larger problems.

Everything we once thought was true is now decried as false; all we once thought to be false is now lauded as true. But never forget this: truth will prevail. In the final analysis, when all has been said and done, when once-powerful nations have long since crumbled into the dust of oblivion, God's truth will prevail.

Men may deny truth's very existence. They may denounce it and demonize it. They may debate it incessantly. But truth will prevail.

In the words of James Russell Lowell, "There is no good in arguing with the inevitable. The only argument available with the east wind is to put on your overcoat."

- Dalton Key, church of Christ, Sayre, OK (*Bulletin Digest*) -