

WISH YOU WERE HERE

FAMILY DEVOTION



Week 13: Ephesians 6:5-9

1. Think of a time when you witnessed an injustice being done. How did you feel seeing that situation unfold? Did you do anything about it? If not, why? If so, what was the end result? Did you pay a price personally for getting involved?
2. Many pre-Civil War slaveholders used scriptures (even the one we're studying this week) to justify slavery. What do you think of that? How do you think someone could misinterpret/misunderstand/twist the Bible in this way? What does this show us about the importance of properly reading, studying, & understanding the Bible? What does it do to your faith when you read part(s) of the Bible that don't make sense or that initially you think you disagree with?
3. Have you ever faced unfair treatment from a supervisor at your job? Did you do anything about it? Why?/Why not? Have you ever quit a project, requested a transfer, or quit your job because of ill-treatment by a superior? What was the result of that decision? Conversely, have you ever worked out a conflict with a superior (especially one you didn't care for)? What were the results from that experience?
4. Has poor work ethic or procrastination ever caused a problem for you at your job? What did you learn from that experience? Has there ever been a time where you feel God rewarded you in some way because of your work ethic, integrity, or proper motives?
5. Has someone else ever taken credit for something when it was rightfully yours? How did you react? How did that situation turn out? Have you ever taken blame for a co-worker (even if it was mainly their fault)? What caused you to do that? What was the result from that decision?

This Week's Prayer

God, help me in every circumstance to be a person of integrity. Help me to be a person of my word. Help me to be a person of harmony and goodwill. Help me to guard my mind and tongue with my co-workers, superiors, and anyone I lead in any capacity. Help me to be a positive influence on the job & in my community. Would you supply needed motivation as I try to live and work out of proper motives? Would you help me do the right thing even when I am unwilling or afraid to? I belong to you and want to honor you in all I do. Amen.

