

Devotional Thoughts :: A short story reflection about our intentions for posting**A short story reflection about our intentions for posting - posted by HIServant (), on: 2007/12/11 20:06**

Devotional: What is far too often seen is the WORD of GOD used as a weapon to "prove a point." Regardless of those watching, irrespective of the negative impression that will likely be left, so many a "deeply committed" Christian will do just that. Let us not "write to prove" anything but rather scribe and converse only to encourage. Else two (or more) Christians debating needlessly will discourage the "passerby"...to never return. Amen.

No More Important...

A child listened closely to the men speaking. On one hand, the speaker shared about Hell and the responsibility of each Christian to whole heartedly confess their sins daily and seek HIS face. On the other, his debater spoke of GOD's great compassion and love. As such, the point being made was to constantly share HIS love...with others. The disagreement came from talking about which meant more. Should we focus more on humble confession or more upon relentless praise?

Clearly, as the lad watched, there would be no winner as neither gave ground. It seemed so odd that two men who loved the LORD and HIS WORD would then use it as a weapon against the other...trying to "make their point." Finally the youth, picked up the Children's Bible next to them, shook their head and began to walk away. This pair of contextual combatants suddenly stopped and...sensing the impression they were making...called out for the child to come back. Reluctantly, the saddened listener returned and stood before the two men. Both offered reasons for their debate using words such as "zeal" and "hunger for the truth"...but none satisfied the small witness in front of them.

After they had exhausted their excuses, the opinion of the lad was requested. After a heavy sigh, so came their words. "To me, neither is more or less important!" Expecting their elders' comments of disagreement, so the youth continued. "What does your Bible show you? It shows me that the size of the letters are all the same...and no more important than the other."

As HIS servant in your service,
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Micah 6:8, "He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?"