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A man named Jesus, not yet known to those in the area, walked along the shore of Galilee. Two men were out on the water fishing with their nets. As Jesus passed, he called to them, "Come, be my disciples, and I will show you how to fish for people!" And they left their nets at once and went with him" (Matt. 4:18-20).

What was it that caused them, in a second's notice to quit their day jobs, and follow someone that they hadn't met? Surely it wasn't out of a sense of obligation; their "obligation" was with the fish and nets that they left lying on the ground. And not just anyone who passed by could have captivated their whole selves with that one sentence. There was something in Him that made just one look into His eyes spark a new sense of freedom and hope; an all-consuming peace and love that just radiated from Him. This is our vision! This is the way that very same Jesus wants it to be for us, from "the least" to "the greatest." The grocery bagger and the neighbor are fascinated and drawn because "it is not you, but Christ who lives in you..." And all of that is simply a byproduct of living in faithfulness and in love for our Father each step of the way.

This is so encouraging to me and a really good reminder that when I am about my day to keep close to the LORD so that others around me will see none of me and all of JESUS !

God Bless
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Re: The Attractiveness of Christ In Us - posted by dietolive, on: 2011/12/9 15:35

Amen dear Sister.

An encouraging word. Thank you for posting this.

Be well,
Doug

Re: The Attractiveness of Christ In Us - posted by Ruthanna, on: 2011/12/9 23:57

Thank you so much for sharing this, MaryJane.

May it be so, that only Christ is seen and heard in our lives, for His Kingdom's sake!

He was despised and rejected, a Man of Sorrows and acquainted with grief and had no comeliness that we should desire Him. (Isaiah 53)

But to the soul that seeketh Him, oh how beautiful He is!

"One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple" (Psalm 27:4).

"And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

And they shall see his face: and his name shall be in their foreheads.

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever." (Revelation 22:1-5)