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THE POWER OF ATTITUDE THAT BRINGS BLESSING(Part 2)

YOUR ATTITUDE DETERMINES THE SUCCESS AND FAILURE OF EVERY RELATIONSHIP IN YOUR LIFE.

Our attitude affects every relationship in our life. (Be it love, family, friends, office, church, etc.).

And sometimes relationships will never get started in the first place — because many times your attitude has built up walls... making it difficult for people to be around you. And sometimes things should have been good if not because of our not so good attitude.

Yeah, I know there are faults, there are mistakes in a relationship, even if it is the most ideal or perfect relationship, it will certainly go through testing, misunderstanding and fights...and if our attitude is not right, we will have gaps instead of reconciliation, we will have heartaches instead of love and understanding.

(When I was lifting weights at the gym, a lady smiled at me, shook my hands and said, "Pastor, taga-Then out of nowhere, she said, "Pastor, I'll pray to God that He will give me an ideal guy like you..." I smiled at her and said, "Having the ideal guy is not the bottom line in any relationship, you got to believe that your attitude will help you through in the relationship.

Both of you must have a very positive attitude in your relationship.

Bad attitudes affect your marriage relationships/your relationship with your kids/at work/at church/friends.

And the thing that makes a bad attitude so destructive is that like the jar of water with the loose lid on it, a bad attitude is eventually going to spill out into some negative actions – destructive words and deeds.

You have no regards to what the person is feeling hearing you say those words... having said that you love him/her, you exchange "I love you" every day, saying, "I miss you..." "Miss you friend," etc., then all of a sudden just with a situation you'll say hurtful words to that same person whom you say that you're loving, what an irony). What's the problem? ATTITUDE!





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Illustration:

In Numbers 12:1-11, we read about 2 brothers and a sister. One brother Moses, had a good attitude. The Bible says that "Moses was a humble man, more humble than anyone on the face of the earth.." In other words, Moses was teachable and cooperative. He treated people as he wanted to be treated and he lived a life that was properly lined up with his heavenly father.

But Moses' brother Aaron and His sister Miriam on the other hand, chose a bad attitude – and they eventually spilled out. Miriam seems to have had the worst attitude and she infected her brother, Aaron. In verse one of Numbers 12 we read, "Miriam and Aaron began to talk against Moses because of his Cushite wife..."

Get the picture? Here they are, family members whom Moses thought he could count on and trust, going around behind his back, criticizing him, stirring up trouble among God's people against their leader, their own brother Moses.

YOU CAN NEVER TRUST PEOPLE WITH A BAD ATTITUDE BECAUSE THEY WILL DO THINGS THAT YOU NEVER THOUGHT THEY'D DO.

You see, most people who stir up trouble do so not out of right reasons but out of bad attitudes. The fact that Moses had married a Cushite wife was not the real problem – it just shook Miriam's jar. This was just a symptom, an excuse. The real problem was that Miriam had a longstanding bad attitude. This bad attitude stemmed from her jealousy of her brother's position and leadership.

And out of her own poor self-esteem she allowed herself to become critical and choose to cause trouble.

Often times the things that we criticize and get all stirred up about are not the problem at all. The problem is our own sour, bad attitude.

I've seen and you have seen; bad attitudes; destroy; marriages/families/work environments

/board meeting/ ladies meeting/ church services...etc. You see whenever you have an individual or a group of people filled with a bad attitude and wearing a loose lid, trouble is bound to happen, things will rapidly get negative.