

# WISDOM JOURNAL

## DAY 79

### SUBJECT: THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING A FIRST IMPRESSION

Making a first impression is very important. I have heard many people tell me that it is not important how people think of you. This idea is totally wrong.

I have come to the understanding that it is very important to **CONSIDER** how people think of you, especially during the **FIRST** encounter. What people see first sticks with them. What they hear first sticks with them. What they believe **FIRST** sticks with them.

The first encounter you have with a person is how they will perceive you. This may be an unfair assessment of you. However, it is a harsh reality. I used to have the attitude that it did not matter how other people thought about me. As long as I knew who I was, that's all that mattered.

My attitude was cute, yet foolish. It was prideful, yet ignorant. This type of thinking was contrary to God's word. Luke 6:38 says, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall **men** give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

Our blessings, opportunities and resources come from God. However they go **THROUGH** men. If people do not like you they will not release what the Lord has prepared for you. You can delay your own blessings by how you present yourself to people.

Now, I'm not saying that people can hold what God has ordained. They can't! However they can **DELAY** it. Many of my blessings were delayed because the people who were assigned to give them to me had ill feelings about me.

When I changed my attitude my blessings were released. I finally had access to what was delayed. My blessings

came in the form of an encouraging word, financial resources, jobs, etc. God **POSITIONS** you to be blessed. However, the way you treat people will determine how soon you will attain what is owed to you.

If you do not want your blessings and opportunities delayed make a great **FIRST** impression so people would give you what God gave them. God will **ALWAYS** give you what is ordained for you. However, what you receive can take twenty minutes, twenty days or twenty years.

The **TIME** in which you receive what God has for you depends on how people think about you. Remember, Men cannot stop what God is doing but they can delay it.

**TAKEAWAY:** Making a good first impression positions you to receive the blessings of God through men **QUICKLY!**

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