

Daily Attitude Check Commentary Positive & Negative Attitudes

Serenity

This is the "peace of God, which passes all understanding that guards our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus."

Humility

Accepting our limitations and personal defects without trying to justify them; absence of pride; not self-centered.

Worth

Realizing who we are as God's redeemed children. Confidence with humility.

Being a Giver

Having the desire to "put in" more that we "take out."
Being grateful for what we have received, and to the people through whom God gave it to us.

Honesty

Being truthful, open and frank. Genuine. Admission of problems is the first step toward healing.

Self-Pity

Sulking, being moody and silent, using physical means to transmit the feelings. Strong sense of not being liked. Feeling sorry for yourself.

Self-Righteousness

Excusing ourselves of any wrong behavior or attitudes, while judging and condemning other for the very same things.

Self-Condemnation

Showing a low self-image "by succumbing to guild, thus declaring ourselves unfit or unworthy of God's grace. This is false humility and unbelief.

Being a Taker

Taking more that we give. In all of our relationships. Demanding instant gratification for all our needs or wants, and whining when others do not meet our expectations.

Lying

Not being truthful or trustworthy. Cheating. Telling lies of omission. Lying breeds fear, kills peace of mind an desperate us from God, or real personality and others. Denial of a problem and projection of blame are the most common forms of lying.

Philippians 4:7

I Kings 19:4 John 21:3

Philippians 2:4-7

Matthew 23:1-3 Romans 2:1-3

I Timothy 1:12-15

2 Corinthians 4:7

Ephesians 5:18-20

Ephesians 4:25



Patience

Demonstrating a quiet, uncomplaining endurance under distress or annoyance. Being tolerant, tender and forbearing.

Gratitude

Being grateful to God and other people for what we have and where we are.

Forgiveness

To give up resentment when someone has wronged us. To repent from bitterness and surrender the right to get even.

Admittance

Admittance motivates us to build a new lifestyle.

Trust

Being able to believe and relax in the promises that have been made to us by God and others. Not trying to be a "lone ranger" in the body of Christ.

Working on the Program

Putting forth a determined effort to change. Applying Scriptural principles in all areas of our lives.

Impatience

Annoyance because you don't get what you want, when you want it.

Complaining

Continually talking about the negative aspects of something over which we have no control. Failure to proactive the principles contained in the Serenity Prayer."

Resentment and Bitterness

Refusing to forgive, which forms a mental chain that binds us to the person or thing that we hate.

Denial

Blindness to our own problems. Not facing reality. Denial allows us to harbor the mistaken idea that our lives previously were not all that bad.

Worry

The inability to trust God or men to do what they have promised. Failure to share the load with other members of the body of Christ.

Complying

Doing enough to get by, but not exerting any honest motivation to change. Doing only what is expected or required, but to having any honest motivation.

Galatians 6:9

Philippians 4:11-13,19

Matthew 6:14,14

I John 1:8-10

Matthew 6:31-33

Philippians 4:4-8

Romans 12:2



Accepting Responsibility

Being accountable for both my attitudes and my actions, and not being a "victim" of circumstances, environment or other peoples' behavior.

Doing Things on Time

Is actively working to a accomplish tasks, whether it be something large or small. It is being punctual and prepared.

Being Real

Not worrying about what other people think about you. Being honest and open in expressing inner feelings.

Positive Thinking

Knowing and trusting God the Father and our relationship to Him through His Son, Jesus Christ.

High Minded, Clean, Spiritual Thinking

Keeping our hearts fixed on Jesus Christ. Thinking thoughts which are true, honest just, pure, lovely and of good report.

Projection

A defense that excuses our own wrong behavior by accusing others for being the source of the problem: "If you didn't nag...I wouldn't drink," etc.

Procrastination

It is natural for everyone to have the following symptoms once in a while, but when they become chronic they cause real trouble:

- Tardiness
- Putting things off
- Loafing
- Shirking responsibility
- Lack of growth or change
- Sloppiness
- Passing the buck
- Apathy
- Dullness (mental, physical and spiritual)

Being Phony

Trying to impress others.

Negative Thinking

Consistently believing that bad things will happen or that people will reject you.

Vulgar, Immoral, Trashy Thinking

Dwelling on memories of past immoralities or fantasies.

Luke 15:17-19

Proverbs 6:5-11

Matthew 23:27,28

Romans 8:28,29

James 1:5-8

Philippians 4:8 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Romans 1:28-31 Ephesians 4:29 2 Timothy 2:22



Accepting Forgiveness

Believing that God will keep His promises regarding repentance of sin.

Temperance

Balance in the consumption of food, sweets, drinks.

Concentration

Keeping your mind and body together in the present.

Communion with God

Realizing that God loves you and desires a close relationship with you all day, every day.

False Guilt About the Past

Believing that our sins are just too much for God to be able to forgive.

Gluttony

Compulsive over-eating and over-indulging.

Daydreaming

Living in a fantasy world of the future, or reliving the unchangeable events in the past.

Forgetting God

Going through the day with hardly a thought of the loving God who created you and desires a relationship with you. 1 John 1:9

Philippians 3:13,17

Proverbs 23:21

Proverbs 4:23 James 1:5-8

I John 1:3 Jeremiah 29:11