

Does your life point others to Jesus?

“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” - Matthew 5:16

A story is told of a man who would stop every morning to pick up the early edition of the newspaper at a small grocery store. One morning when he arrived at work, the man found that by mistake he had taken two newspapers instead of one. He first thought of paying the grocer the extra price the next morning. But then after a moment's consideration, he got in his car, drove back to the store, and returned the paper.

About a week later, the shop owner discovered that someone had stolen money from the grocery store. When police pinpointed the time it occurred, the grocer remembered only two people being in the store at the time—and one was the man who had returned the paper.

The grocer immediately dismissed the man as a suspect, saying, “That man is really honest. He came all the way back here just to return a newspaper he took by mistake.” The police then focused their investigation on the other man, who soon made a full confession. This man's honesty made a big impression on that non-Christian storeowner.

As Christians, our walk should always resemble our talk. This is especially true in the eyes of a watching world, whose impressions and opinions of Christianity are formed based upon their interactions with Christians. So when it comes to honesty, live far above reproach, letting your good works shine in a dark world and bringing glory to God!

Prayer Challenge

Ask God to help you live the kind of life that points others to Jesus Christ.

Questions for Thought

Up to this point, how would you say you've done at living a life that points others to Christ?

What are some areas of your life today where you can be a light to people who don't know Jesus Christ?