



Lesson 8 Complaining and Arguing Teacher: Beth Seifert

Read Romans 15:3-6. Whose attitude are we to emulate?

Consider your attitude; are you a positive person to be around?

Read Ephesians 4:20-32. As we put off our old selves, what are we to be made new in? Why? Consider your attitude. Would people consider you an encouraging person to be around?

Do you spend more time complaining or praising?

Ephesians 4:31 tells us to get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger....and every form of malice. According to the above verses, is it even possible to be consistently pessimistic and to have been made new in the renewing of your mind?

What kind of talk should come out of our mouths, consistently? (Ephesians 4:29)

Read 2 Peter 1:3-11. If we lack the qualities Peter describes here, what have we forgotten? Who provides all that we need to partake of the divine nature? What are we to make every effort to do?

Read 1 Peter 2:11-12. Peter tells us our citizenship is not of this world; we are foreigners, exiles from our native land; aliens. Because we are not of this world, how are we to live?

Read 1 John 2: 15-17 and James 4:4-10, and Matthew 5:13-16. Are you different from the world?

Do you live as one who does not love the world, but loves the Father?

Our actions reflect our teacher. Do people look at you and think, "That person is a Christ follower"?

Does the overflow of your heart show your love for your brothers and sisters in Christ? (1 Thessalonians 3: 11-13)

Look back through the Scriptures you've read today; where can you turn for help so that your heart reflects Him?

If God is showing you an area in your heart that He wants you to give up control to Him, what is holding you back from doing it?

Spend time with Him, listening to Him today, reading His Word, and seeking His face, and ask Him to help release you from the stronghold that has you bound.