

I. Introduction.

- A. Your attitude is formed by your thoughts and feelings and expressed by your words and actions.**
- B. Your attitude is what's in your heart, and sooner or later what's in your heart will come out (see Luke 6:45).**
- C. When the attitude is positive and conducive to growth the mind expands and the progress begins.**

II. Statements That Highlight the Importance of Attitude.

- A. Our attitude determines our approach to life.**
 - 1. We are individually responsible for our view of life.**
 - 2. Nothing and/or no one can affect our attitude without our permission.**
- B. Our attitude determines our relationships with people.**
 - 1. Good, healthy relationships are important.**
 - 2. The best way to get along with people is to follow "The Golden Rule" (see Matt. 7:12).**
 - 3. What goes around comes around.**
- C. Our attitude is often the only difference between success and failure.**
- D. Our attitude at the beginning of a task will affect its outcome more than anything else.**
- E. The right attitude can turn our problems into blessings.**
 - 1. Every opportunity has a difficulty and every difficulty has an opportunity.**
 - 2. Life is like a grindstone. Depending on what you're made of, it can grind you down or polish you.**
- F. The right attitude can give us a positive perspective and enable us to accomplish great things.**
- G. Our attitude is not automatically good just because we are Christians.**

III. Conclusion.

- A. Jesus wants his followers to have a full life (John 10:10).**
- B. To experience this full life we need to have a Jesus attitude.**
- C. People with a Jesus attitude (see Phil. 2:3-8):**
 - 1. Do things for the right reasons.**
 - 2. Are humble**
 - 3. Recognize the importance of others.**
 - 4. Are willing to serve others.**
 - 5. Demonstrate obedience to God.**