\*YOUR LIFE IS A MESSAGE!\*

Like many other people, I used to have the opinion that:

\*"How people feel about you is not important, you just live your life and do what makes you happy".\*

However, as I grew in the Lord and in His work, I discovered that as a true child of God, you cannot afford to live a carefree life, notwithstanding the satisfaction and happiness you derive.

That's why our Lord Jesus Christ said:

\*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven".\*
Matthew 5:16.

Meaning; how you live your life matters so much, because it forms your message to others, and it has a strong bearing on the value that people place on God.

It is important that you live your life for God's glory with the consciousness of sending a good message.
\*1 Cor 10:31\*

Although, I strongly believe that one cannot  satisfy everyone, but you have to be cautious of the message you send out through your lifestyle.

Sometime in the past, while I was on evangelism exercise, we came accross a lady and as we approached her, she gave audience to our message;

\*Off course, our main message on evangelism is about the love of God towards mankind, as a result of Him sacrificing our Lord Jesus Christ (John 3:16) and also the reality of the imminent second coming of Jesus.\*

Having assured the lady about the love of God, we decided to invite her to worship in our Church, then she asked us: \*what Church are you from?\*

We answered her proudly, with the expectation she will be happy to be part of an highly esteemed Church, but she said:

" \*If is the same church that my neighbour goes to, am not coming".\*

I accosted her as she walked away trying to let her understand that, people will not measure up to our expectations most times but ideally, we are only meant to \*look up to Jesus\* who does not fail.

My effort in persuading her was to no avail. It was obvious the lady must have suffered emotional wounds from my unknown church member. She was adamant and I had to let her be!

Brethren, some of us might argue that the lady in question took things rather too far by using her experiences with a single individual as a benchmark to evaluate a "good bible believing Church".

Apparently, what I deduced from her utterances is that Christians are being watched. The spotlight is now on us; more than ever.😲

I pray we will not fail God or bring disrepute to His name or to His Church in Jesus name.🙏🏼

Without doubt, we all have a message that we carry around through our lifestyles. The question that needed to be answered is:

\*whether your message is winning souls for God or sending people away from knowing Jesus?\*

The bible says:

\*"In everything, show yourself to be an example by doing good works. In your teaching show integrity and dignity".\*
Titus 2:7.

You will always live or work with difficult people who you might not agree with but no matter what;

\*"As much as it is possible, live in peace with everyone".\*
Romans:12:18.

Your lifestyle and relationship with others form the message that you send out to the world about Christianity.

Jesus Christ said:

\*"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."\*
John 13 :35.

\*Prayer\*: Father, help me to continue to be an ambassador of Jesus and let my message be such that will win souls for you in Jesus name.🙏🏼

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