

“Faithful in All Things”

Mark 9: 41

Needs vary among the disciples of Christ. Some are rich and some are poor, and these two situations can entail all kinds of things in their lives. So, within the Body of Christ, we have a responsibility for each other. According to the scripture verse, what is easier than to give a cup of cold water to a thirsty disciple of Jesus. However, it must be done because of our love for the Savior. This is very different from giving it from a mere motive of common kindness. If done from love for Jesus, it will be rewarded and hence we learn that the humblest acts of Christians, the lowest service that is rendered, will be graciously noticed by Jesus and rewarded.

Everyone can do something whether great or small and none are so humble in God's kingdom as not to be able to do good; and none so poor that, in his circumstances may not show attachment to Jesus and His work. Their feeblest service will be accepted, and acts of love that may be forgotten by man, will be remembered by the Lord and rewarded in heaven. Jesus places eternal value even upon a cup of cold water given in His name. Great and humble tasks merge in the Kingdom of God.

The president of a Christian University was walking about the campus one day when he saw a grey-haired lady bending over flowers and shrubs near the chapel as her ministry was simply to keep the surroundings of God's House worthy of His name, a task as simple and humble as giving a cup of cold water in Jesus' name. As he watched, the president of the university prayed, “God grant me the privilege of following this lady through the gates of Your Kingdom”. In God's sight there are no great or small tasks, but they are all acts of service done out of love for our Savior.

Being a disciple of Jesus could cost me.....

What am I willing to do to please the Lord?.....

How far am I willing to stoop to lift up a fellow disciple?.....

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