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# RE- FLECTING GOD

**12/22/12 - He Is Near To You**

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Philippians 4:1-9.

Just this week, my wife said to me, "Sometimes, you can be so immature!" So, I stuck my tongue out at her, just to prove her point. The truth is attitude proves Christian maturity! Ephesians 4:23 invites us "to be made new in the attitude of your minds."

Jesus did not die on the cross to keep us safe. Jesus died on the cross to make us dangerous? dangerous to the devil. However, we are dangerous to the kingdom when we have a rotten attitude!

Christianity and pessimism cannot go together. There are two basic types of people in the world: complainers and worshipers: Complainers can always find something to complain about and worshipers can always find something to praise God about. Attitude proves Christian maturity.

It takes an orange tree seven years to bear fruit once it is planted. Attitude, however, produces immediate fruit! It also produces lasting fruit. Your attitude impacts others; it will truly outlive and outlast you. The Lord is near. Why not rejoice?

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