HARD LESSONS

Of all the lessons of life that have been difficult for me to learn and properly apply, two stand out in bold relief.

- (1) Another's opinion or judgment can be different from mine without one of us being considered wrong. And I can have (and need to have) fellowship with brethren who hold contrary opinions.
- (2) I must make a distinction between my opinions and judgments and what is the doctrine of Christ. My "think-so's" are not to be bound on others nor used as a test of fellowship.

Learning these two lessons and making proper application, paves the way for unity and peace among the followers of Jesus Christ.

WORKER BEES

There is much work that needs to be done in a congregation by both men and women that is not the work of it's elders and deacons. The congregation that has many busy "worker bees" is truly blessed. (You can tell if there are many worker bees in a congregation by the buzzing sound made by all the activity.)

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

1 Corinthians 15:58

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