

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Attitude Informs I.D. & Prompts Action

Our attitude is **eye wear** we view life through

- Retail “cheaters”, prescription or contacts
- **We choose them** to improve our sight

My experience at age 8 and 12

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We interpret what we see according to **who we ARE**

Athletes, artists & engineers “**see**” the same thing differently

Our embraced **role in life** also informs what we see

- Children & parents
- employees & employers
- single & married people

How we see it influences **what** we do and **how** & **why** we do it

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So, **who ARE we** as those redeemed by Christ?

And **how** then, **shall we live?**

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Three weeks ago Carl & Xena Colbert became husband & wife

The marriage ceremony began at **3:00 PM**

- We spent several weeks **preparing to become married**
- **Her day of preparation** began at **9:00 AM**

- They both looked forward to it with **focus** and **thankful anticipation** “**Attitude**”

I have seen many brides step into the aisle toward the altar

I’ve never seen one unprepared or taken by surprise

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Revelation 19:7

“Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and **His bride has made herself ready.**”

Why?

Because **it is her identity!**

It informs and shapes **how she lives**, and **why**.

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So, **are we...** making ourselves ready?

Do we live **to prepare ourselves for Him?**

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Do we live in **joyful, thankful anticipation** of the grand culmination of our lives when we are **joined together with Christ Jesus forever?**

Are we **looking forward**, through everything else, to the **eternal perfection He has prepared for us?**

Do we expect to **rule and reign** over all of creation, for all time and beyond **with Him** in uncontested concert?

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We should. **It is our calling and our God given role.**

It is **our rightful place in all of life.**

Everything else is secondary to that!

If we are not, we're being robbed... and so is He.

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How?

First – by **responding** to His total love with **our total love** (Mark 12:30)

Next – by choosing to live to **please Him** above **ALL** else.

Then – by **demonstrating** His love

- To **each other first** (John 13:34-35 & 15:12)
- And to **everyone else** we encounter (Mark 12:31)

Anything outside of those expressions are not **FOR** Him.

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He has lived and died to demonstrate **His love for us**

Live to demonstrate ours for Him