

Are We Different?

- Patty:** Chris, I can't believe that you kept your cool with Vicky! If she treated me like that I would have put her in her place! She has some nerve!
- Chris:** Patty, I think you're over reacting just a tad. Vicky may have been having a bad day.
- Patty:** I don't care if her home life is a mess or if her boy friend is.....
- Chris:** Stop Patty. I don't want to gossip about Vicky, or talk about her behind her back.
- Patty:** What?! Vicky just got done treating you like dirt in the school cafeteria and now you're sticking up for her. Then you tell me not to gossip! Whose side are you on anyway?
- Chris:** Take it easy Patty, I try not to talk about anyone behind their back. I do plan on talking to Vicky, to see if I can't help her get her problems worked out. But the school cafeteria just wasn't the right time or place.
- Patty:** I just don't see how you can be so nice to HER!
- Chris:** *(Smiling)* My best friend taught me....
- Patty:** What, some more of that freaky Jesus stuff?
- Chris:** *(Smiling)* Yes, exactly. You see when I asked Jesus to forgive me and to become the Lord of my life, He did. The Holy Spirit changed my outlook on a lot of things. I try to treat others the way I would like them to treat me.
- Patty:** I just don't know Chris, although I have noticed a big change in the way you've been acting ever since you said you "Got Saved." At first I thought you were just trying to live the part. You know trying to change under your own strength, but lately I think you really have become a new person.
- Chris:** You just paraphrased scripture, Patty. In 2 Corinthians 5:17 it states: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."
- Patty:** I'm starting to think there might be something to this Jesus stuff.
- Chris:** I hold a Bible study on Thursday nights at 7:00, if you want to come.
- Patty:** Yeah, I think I will, thanks! Whatever it is you have I want to learn more about it!
- Chris:** If you want to we can talk more about Jesus right now or you come by my house tonight at 7:00, which would you prefer?
- Patty:** If you have time, I'd like to hear more about Jesus now.
- Chris:** Sure, nothing is more important. Let's go sit on the bench over there.
- (The two friends walk off, as the narrator begins to speak)*
- Narrator:** You see it does make a difference how we live and how we act. If we say Jesus is Lord but we act just like the rest of the world we send a deadly message. If people see you get drunk, smoke, curse or gossip and then hear you say I'm a Christian, you send the message that all these worldly things are okay. Don't act like the world, let your light shine in the darkness, help set some captives free.