

Ms. J's 411

There is a Place For Good Manners and A Way To Teach Them

Too often parents focus on actions, rather than attitudes. I have learned there are seven attitudes that we can correct in our children: Proverbs 4:23; Mark 7:20 - 23 tell us to guard the heart for it is the well-spring of life. These seven attitudes are windows into the heart of a child and

into the hearts of adults. They explore the root of what could be, behavior problems in children. Our parents and grandparents automatically taught many of us these things. They called them good manners.

#1. WHINING - Do all that you can to cheerfully as unto the Lord and not unto men. Colossians 3:23 - Children should learn to say "May I please _____ with a cheerful face, not a whine.

#2. Sour Face - I will leave off my sad countenance and be cheerful. Job 9:27 - The Lord said unto Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast?" Genesis 4:6 - A sourface is a window into a child's soul. It reveals a bad attitude

that hampers the child's spiritual growth and development, of course,

there is a big difference between true sadness and a sourface. Please do not misuse this teaching. Allow emotions to be expressed not suppressed.

#3. Jerky Body Movements - Better a patient man than a warrior; a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city. Proverbs 16:32 Says like a city whose walls are broken down is a man who lacks self-control. "Proverbs 25:28 you know the examples of jerky body movements.

#4. Disrespectful Tone and Voice - "Honor your father and mother", Exodus 20:12, "Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly, and revere your God. I am the Lord." Leviticus 19:32, Honor one another above yourselves. " Romans 12:10.

#5. Selfishness - Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

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Former President Clinton Honors 9 Students Who Integrated School

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas (Blacknews.com) - The Little Rock Nine, black students who became an important test of the desegregation of schools in the United States, returned to the campus Tuesday to mark 50 years since former President Dwight D. Eisenhower directed soldiers to escort them inside.

"They didn't ask to be a part of history, but they certainly are now," said U.S. Representative Mike Ross. Former President Bill Clinton was among the national and civil rights leaders marking the anniversary.

For three weeks in September 1957, Little Rock was the focus of a showdown over integration as Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus blocked the nine black students from enrolling at the high school of about 2,000 white students. Although the U.S. Supreme Court had declared segregated classrooms unconstitutional in 1954, and the Little Rock School Board had voted to integrate, Faubus said he feared violence if the races mixed in a public school. The showdown soon

became a test for Eisenhower, who sent the army in to control the angry crowds. It was the first time in 80 years that federal troops had been sent to a former state of the Confederacy - the pro-slavery southern states which seceded from the U.S.

Governor Mike Beebe said society had made progress since the crisis, but he said economic and educational inequalities still exist.

"There will always be a necessity to show that we are inclusive as a society," Beebe said.

Gene Prescott, who photographed the school's integration for the Arkansas Gazette in 1957, noted the difference in the crowd over 50 years. The all-white mob 50 years ago jeered the nine; Tuesday's crowd of blacks and whites welcomed them.

"They are mingling and they are shaking hands. That certainly is a change," Prescott said.

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In the course of staying alive, I always love to hear people laugh. I never trust people who don't laugh or who act as if they put airplane glue on the back of their hands and stuck them to their foreheads.

~Maya Angelou

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