TRY A LITTLE KINDNESS

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"The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, <u>kindness</u>..." (Galatians 5:22, NLT)

Kindness is **LOVE IN ACTION**.

"...Love is kind..." (1 Corinthians 13:4, NIV)

WHY BE KIND?

1. Because God HAS BEEN KIND to me.

"Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you?" (Romans 2:4a, NLT)

2. Because kindness shows people that <u>JESUS IS REAL</u>.

"We prove ourselves by our purity, our understanding, our patience, our kindness, by the Holy Spirit within us, and by our sincere love." (2 Corinthians 6:6, NLT)

"Let everyone see that you are gentle and kind. The Lord is coming soon." (Philippians 4:5, NCV)

3. Because someone must PRIME THE PUMP.

"People will reap exactly what they sow." (Galatians 6:7b, GNB)

WHO NEEDS SOME KINDNESS?

K<u>RANKY</u> people.

"A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone...and be patient with difficult people." (2 Timothy 2:24, NLT)

NCONSIDERATE people.

"But love your enemies, do good to them...Then you will have a great reward, and you will be children of the Most High God, because he is kind even to people who are ungrateful and full of sin." (Luke 6:35, NCV)

NEGATIVE people.

"God our Father loved us and by his kindness gave us everlasting encouragement and good hope..." (2 Thessalonians 2:16, GW)

DEPRESSED & DISCOURAGED people.

"So I gave up in despair, questioning the value of all my hard work in this world." (Ecclesiastes 2:20, NLT)

"Anxiety weighs down the heart, but a kind word cheers it up." (Proverbs 12:25, NIV)

ACTION:

5 RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS!

"Your own soul is nourished when you are kind..." (Proverbs 11:17, The Living Bible)