Section 1 - Character Chapter 3 - All Eyes are on You

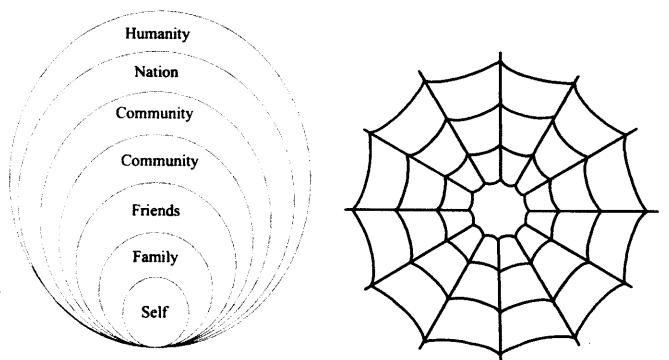
Whether we know it or not, we are constantly being looked at and monitored by a number of people. Even when we think we are alone, someone, unbeknownst to us, might be spying upon us. It is a scary thought! Especially as we think about how the Internet, Google, Cell Phone Companies, and the Government seem to know what we are doing and thinking and where we go. Which of us hasn't mysteriously received a Google Ad related to what we were just thinking, talking about, or even where we were.

As Christians, in light of the fact that people around us are always looking at and watching us (as well as God), that we live in such a way as to be a positive **example** and **model** for those around us.

Song by "The Police" - Every Breath You Take

... Every breath you take And every move you make Every bond you break Every step you take I'll be watching you ... Every single day And every word you say Every game you play Every night you stay I'll be watching you...

- How do you think others perceive you? We may think we are coming across one way, but we may be coming across completely different.
- Who is in your concentric circles of influence? How you act does impact others!



Character - A Three-legged Stool

Integrity Purity It takes all three-legs to be properly balanced. Example



Example & Influence

Do you realize that you are a leader? When others look to you and your example, you are influencing others. John Maxwell - "Leadership is Influence."

People are learning "life lessons" by how you are living and what you are doing. Non-Christians are seeing and judging what it means to be a Christian. Your children, grandchildren, and spouse are seeing and judging you on how you are as a person. Some may say, "I want to be just like you." Would you be proud of that?

Who do you look up to? Why? Read: Hebrews 13:7

Some Bible Verses to Read & Ponder Regarding "Our Example"

1 Corinthians 1:11 Philippians 3:17 1 Peter 2:12 2 Thessalonians 3:7-9 Titus 2:7-8 Matthew 5:16

Jesus' Example to Follow: John 13:14-17; 1 Peter 2:21

Romans 14:13, - A negative example: Is there anything that you are doing that can be a stumbling block for others? - 2 Corinthians 6:3 1 Thessalonians 1:4-10 - A positive example: We might impact more people than we

realize. - 2 Corinthians 6:4-10

Things to Work On to Be a Better Example

1 Timothy 4:12

<u>Speech</u> - James 3:5-12, Proverbs 18:21; Ephesians 4:29; Colossians 3:8; 1 Corinthians 15:33

Conduct - Romans 13:13; 1 Corinthians 14:33, 40, 10:31; Philippians 4:5

Love - Ephesians 5:2, 21-33; 6:4; 1 Peter 5:3; John 13:35; Mark 12:30:31; Matthew 5:43-4; Luke 6:31; Deuteronomy 6:6-8

Faith - 2 Corinthians 5:20; Psalm 1:1-3; 1 Timothy 4:14-16; Isaiah 26:3

Purity - Philippians 4:8; 1 Peter 1:15-16; 1 Corinthians 6:18, 10:5; Matthew 5:8;

1 John 3:9; James 4:8; 1 Timothy 5:22b