

Church of Christ

... Heart to Heart ...

The other night, I was singing a song with my granddaughter. We were singing, “*Be careful, little hands, what you do...*” I thought about the chorus, “*For the Father up above is looking down in tender love, so be careful little hands what you do.*” I reflected on God’s word as we sang. We are saints because of the blood of Christ! Saints are looked upon by our heavenly Father as beloved children (Eph. 5:1). Saints are not to be involved in any ungodly behavior or attitudes!

“But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints.” (Eph. 5:3) It’s improper for any of us to have a hint of these things involved in our lives. “*Be careful little eyes what you see...*” We need to be an influence for the Lord and His cause. Our influence is either for the good or the bad.

“And there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.” (Eph. 5:4) These are things that aren’t fitting in the lives of saints. “*Be careful little tongue what you say...*”

“Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness but instead even expose them; for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret.” (Eph. 5:11-12) Our participation in things must be absolutely not involved in anything off-color or evil! We are saints, children of light (Eph. 5:8). “*Be careful little hands what you do...*”

“Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise.” (Eph. 5:15) “*Be careful little feet where you go...*” We need to be wise, putting our efforts into understanding the will of the Lord (Eph. 5:17). Foolish people don’t concern themselves with growing much in the will of the Lord, to understanding His ways. They spend little time trying to come to know the ways of God and just walk normally, following their own desires.

“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.” (Eph. 5:1-2) “*There’s a Father up above, looking down in tender love...*” The songs we teach our children when they are young are sometimes viewed as cute. They aren’t cute; they preach and teach us major lessons about our Father. Maybe we need to let go of the frilly, cute idea and grasp hold of the message that is being taught, not only to our children and grandchildren, but to us as saints! Think about it!!!