

Indeed...the Little Things Mean a Lot!

Brigham Young is quoted as having said:

“Do you not know that the building up of the kingdom of God, the literal gathering of Israel, is to be done by little acts? You breathe one breath at a time; each moment is set apart is set apart to its act, and each act to its moment. It is the moments and the little acts that make the sum of the life of man. Let every second, minute, hour and day we live be spent in doing that which we know to be right.”
Journal of Discourses 3:342

Does that feel like too much to ask? Have we convinced ourselves that we really don't have to try and do the right thing “all” of the time? Whose philosophy have you bought into?

Discipleship, just like the personal conversion we've been talking about this change cycle, is a process. It requires focus and work every day, but it is so very much worth every piece of effort we put forth. It provides for peace and joy and faith from each effort we make while in the process, so why postpone or shortchange ourselves of any of that?

The adversary who wants you to be as miserable as he is, will indeed wrap you in a flaxen (soft and comfy) chord and tell you that once in a while it is not only good to do a few wrong things, but that it is natural and even necessary. Does that advice sound like discipleship to you? A mistake is one thing, a purposeful decision to anything other than the right thing is wrong and dangerous.

I submit that doing the right things for the right reason is not at all hard. We know what we know, we have felt the Spirit in our lives often, we see so obviously before us the life that comes from obedience and right choices versus a life of continuous small acts of rebellion and poor, “natural man” decisions.

You see, you've already chosen whom you will serve. You and I have freely made covenants that said we would stand on His side and strive to be His followers and disciples.

Let's not lose any opportunity to feel of his goodness and grace by focusing on the little acts and the precious moments to obediently follow Him in His way.

We express this hope for all of us...with great love and understanding,
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