

What if God were my HR Manager?

"John is not with the company any more", that was the news Monday morning. What happened? He was let go on Friday because of poor performance.

'Mike was fired last week because of excessive absences.'

'Amanda was found short in her cash box several times. She was suspected of helping herself and was let go.'

'Nick was late for several meetings in the past few months and also left early from work several times without prior approval. He was fired a few months back.'

'Robert and Richard had a few arguments and both were transferred to different departments in not so desirable positions as a disciplinary measure.'

Most of us are familiar with situations like these. Tough decisions taken by managers and Human Resource departments are unpleasant to all of us. But there are rules to obey, policies and guidelines to follow. Invariably, those who are affected by such decisions feel upset and angry at those who implement the rules.

I have thought at times when I hear such news what would be my condition if God were like the head of the HR or the Manager.

Poor performance – I would have been fired several times over. Remember the statement of Christ to the churches in Revelation – 'I know your deeds'. He knows all my deeds. Dare I justify all of them or assert that they are perfect?

Absences- if they are noted each time the record could run into multiple pages. And the attendance itself; how many of them were half-hearted, just to please others.

Coming and going whenever I want – God knows everything including my hard work and tiredness. Moreover, the main part is the message; so it is fine that I get there by that time. What do I gain more if I stay until the end and having to talk to some people?

Proper accounting and balancing – why would God need my money? He is the owner of everything. Not only that, there are millionaires out there, actually plenty of them, who are in a better position than me. Did God ever say, not giving to Him is stealing? And does it apply only to money? Or my time, talents and every gift he had given me include?

I sure don't fight with anybody, so I am safe there. True,

but wait a minute; the conversation I have after the service, evaluating everything that happens in there, some of the phone calls I make, what category would that fall into? If I am not in speaking terms with someone would that be an offense to God?

Now, I am not so confident about the appraisal I would get from God, my heavenly HR manager. Looking into my life I can only say: 'Lord, thank you for your boundless grace and abundant mercy.'

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that." – Martin Luther King Jr.

"The opposite of love is not hate, its indifference. The opposite of art is not ugliness, its indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy, its indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, its indifference." – Elie Wiesel

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 28 @ 6.30 PM : THANKSGIVING SERVICE
DECEMBER 21-31 : PRAYER MEETING

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"I am the LORD who heals you"

Please pray for:

Mrs. Marykutty Thomas (Sist. Suja's Mom),

**Bro. Jacob Alexander, Pr. Mathew Samuel, Bro. Babu Thannickal,
Sist. Shiny Chacko, Sam Mathew, Ammini George, Mariamma**

Johny (Kunjumol), Usha Danielkutty

Kiran (Dr. Jolly Mathew's granddaughter),

Nirmala (Friend of Snehalatha Nair) & all who are sick among us.
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