



Thursday Thought

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“I’m Watching You!”

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Verse for the week: Proverbs 15:3 (NLT) “The Lord is watching everywhere, keeping his eye on both the evil and the good.”

Have you ever had that feeling that someone was watching you only to look up and find that they were? I love the line by Roz in the movie Monsters Inc, “**I’m watching you Wazowski, always watching!**” When I look around and see the security cameras everywhere I know I am being watched. I don’t know too many people who like to be watched and scrutinized, but it happens. I’ve had employers do it, parishioners do it, complete strangers do it, and my own children do it. Several years ago, country singer, Rodney Atkins had a popular song called “Watching You!” It talks about his son watching him and emulating his words and actions. Too often we don’t consider the fact that people are watching us! They watch the things that we say, our negativity, the things that we do, the places we go... We try to excuse our misbehavior by saying it’s nobody else’s business, or that our actions aren’t influencing anyone else, but the truth is everyone influences someone. We influence the people we work with, live with, go to church with, and even the people we shop with. The apostle Paul even warned people about not being a stumbling block to others (I Corinthians 8:9). I believe all of us need to be more conscientious about our words and actions, knowing that in fact, we are being watched.

Questions to ask yourself: They say attitudes are contagious, but I would go further and say our words and actions are too. How are your attitudes, words and actions? If you are okay with them, the next question to ask is, “Is God okay with them?”