

TITUS 2 CHAT

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Selfishness vs. Selflessness

Mother Naamah: Ice-breaker opening - Name a selfish or selfless attribute.

Responses: Sister Moriyah and Sister Jazaniyah (Practicing the keeping of Malichi 3:16)

* Malachi 3:16 - Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name.

Mother Shamarah - Selfless is when you think less about yourself and are "altruistic".

Altruistic = Looking out for the needs of others. Seek to do it because you have love for others not expecting anything in return. *Our men go out to help others and their homes are secondary.

Mother Anna: Look on the things of others and care for others with charity. Being selfish, you care about yourself. Esteem others better than yourself. Being like-minded and of one mind. Why and where you can be a help.

* Philippians 2:4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

* Philippians 2:3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

* Philippians 2:5-8 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

* Philippians 2:2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.;

Mother Naamah: We didn't make excuses. Do you love your nation? Consider "Selfless"acts: Buy baby diapers or wipes; even getting garments sewn to show "Sisterhood"; buy bookbags; when you love your sisters you may offer them a break; share clothing. Even the children see and do selfless acts. "Build your resume with the Most High".

Sharing clothes from your closet. If they ask you to go a mile ...go 2. It is selfish to allow your pride to be in need and not get help. Please follow protocol. Be mindful that other things are going on in the nation.

* Matthew 5:41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

* Galatians 6:2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

If you see a need and you don't have it, network. The sheep and the goats will be separated. Share your food and drink. HELP.

* Matthew 25:31-34 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: 32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: 33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

It is selfish that you expect other sisters to take care of you and you not give or do for others. Clothed, feed, give drink. If you see the need...help. There is always something to do.

Matthew 25:35-38 For I was hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: 36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. 37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? 38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?

One mind one body. Don't let selfish sisters bully you. Prove your sisters.

I Corinthians 12:12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

Sisters should not be users, don't be nice to get what you want but, when they lack you don't show yourself friendly.

EGO = Edging God Out. The ego likes to be flattered and praised. Watch the "woe is me" person looking for attention, selfish.

No need for a parade, no vain glory.

* Matthew 25:38-39 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? 39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

Sister Amina House of Captain Zephaniah: Tells about how the sisters took care of the House of Captain Zephaniah while she was sick.

Create a sisterhood and "Life of Service". What does your life look like? ...Selfish or Selfless? Feed your enemy if they are hungry and thirsty too. Love your enemies.

* Proverbs 25:21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:

* Matthew 5:44-45 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; 45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

* I John 5:14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

We must give and not always take and take. Give of your time.

* Psalm 147:3 - He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Our forefather Eleazar was "selfless" and refused to eat seines flesh even to the point of death. He rathered to die than to deceive.

* 2 Maccabees 6:18-19 Eleazar, one of the principal scribes, an aged man, and of a well favoured countenance, was constrained to open his mouth, and to eat swine's flesh. 19 But he, choosing rather to die gloriously, than to live stained with such an abomination, spit it forth, and came of his own accord to the torment,

We can't get the bigger thing until we get the little things down.

Sisters get the things that sisters need as a group, you may not have it but collectively you can get it.

"Selflessness" means that we act without expecting to be identified.

Our forefather Tobit sent his son to get the people to come and feast. He became blind and asked for mercy. Do that which is good and no evil shall touch you. Remember alms delivers from death and takes away sin. Tobit left his dinner to go bury the dead first. He was selfless. Raphael, one of the 7 holy angels spoke with him.

*Tobit 2:1-5 Now when I was come home again, and my wife Anna was restored unto me, with my son Tobias, in the feast of Pentecost, which is the holy feast of the seven weeks, there was a good dinner prepared me, in the which I sat down to eat. 2 And when I saw abundance of meat, I said to my son, Go and bring what poor man soever thou shalt find out of our brethren, who is mindful of the Lord; and, lo, I tarry for thee. 3 But he came again, and said, Father, one of our nation is strangled, and is cast out in the marketplace. 4 Then before I had tasted of any meat, I started up, and took him up into a room until the going down of the sun. 5 Then I returned, and washed myself, and ate my meat in heaviness,

*Tobit 2:9-10 The same night also I returned from the burial, and slept by the wall of my courtyard, being polluted and my face was uncovered: 10 And I knew not that there were sparrows in the wall, and mine eyes being open, the sparrows muted warm dung into mine eyes, and a whiteness came in mine eyes: and I went to the physicians, but they helped me not: moreover Achiacharus did nourish me, until I went into Elymais.

*Tobit 12:7-9 It is good to keep close the secret of a king, but it is honourable to reveal the works of

God. Do that which is good, and no evil shall touch you. 8 Prayer is good with fasting and alms and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with unrighteousness. It is better to give alms than to lay up gold: 9 For alms doth deliver from death, and shall purge away all sin. Those that exercise alms and righteousness shall be filled with life:

*Tobit 12:12-20 Now therefore, when thou didst pray, and Sara thy daughter in law, I did bring the remembrance of your prayers before the Holy One: and when thou didst bury the dead, I was with thee likewise. 13 And when thou didst not delay to rise up, and leave thy dinner, to go and cover the dead, thy good deed was not hid from me: but I was with thee. 14 And now God hath sent me to heal thee and Sara thy daughter in law. 15 I am Raphael, one of the seven holy angels, which present the prayers of the saints, and which go in and out before the glory of the Holy One. 16 Then they were both troubled, and fell upon their faces: for they feared. 17 But he said unto them, Fear not, for it shall go well with you; praise God therefore. 18 For not of any favour of mine, but by the will of our God I came; wherefore praise him forever. 19 All these days I did appear unto you; but I did neither eat nor drink, but ye did see a vision. 20 Now therefore give God thanks: for I go up to him that sent me; but write all things which are done in a book.

Do good to the godly man. Don't look for a reward from man but from God.

*Ecclesiasticus/Sirach 12:2 Do good to the godly man, and thou shalt find a recompense; and if not from him, yet from the most High.

Being "Selfless" does not inflate the ego, you get joy from giving. Not mean spirited. Create a true friendship, being selfless goes deeper. Show kindness and affection to one another. Do you ask your lord what he wants and not be selfish? Not that Jezebel spirit that uses their beauty to get what they want.

*Romans 12:10 Be kindly affectionate one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

* Proverbs 31:30 Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

* Luke 6:27-30 But I say unto you which hear, love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, 28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. 29 And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not to take thy coat also. 30 Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again.

Do good out of service, not looking to receive. Be merciful. Love your neighbor as you love yourself. We must apply the scriptures

* Luke 6:33-36 And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same. 34 And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. 35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for

he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. 36 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

* Mark 12:31 And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

Be a servant and get the love of the congregation. Faith without works is dead, so just do the work.

* Matthew 20:25-27 But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. 26 But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; 27 And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

Charity suffereth long - People are going to get on your last nerve. Can you still be strong and be respectful, and kind? Envieth not - Don't be fake and phony. Vaunted not - don't think that you are better than each other or being puffed up is the same. Don't act unseemly and don't be selfish and seek your own, but the needs of others. Not provoked easily, Thinketh no evil. Don't rejoice in sin. Rejoice in the truth. Charity never fails.

* I Corinthians 13:4-8 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, 5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; 6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; 7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. 8 Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.