Who is right is not as important as what is right

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At times, when we are in a debate with another person, our arguments are motivated by self interest. Generally, our thoughts and statements are based on what's best for us and designed to help us prove our point. Every person is right in their own eyes. However, not every person is right. To broaden your perspective, try this exercise. Next time you are in a difference of agreement with someone, ask that person to temporarily switch positions with you. You argue their point and let them argue yours.

This exercise can be both threatening and educational. For those who are secure enough to attempt pursuit of the best decision, stating opposing perspectives can become a valuable source of gaining insight and solving problems. Struggle is often a necessary step to unity.

Prayer for Today

Father, please help me to consider others' opinions to have as much potential as mine. Give me the grace to respect those who differ with me and the skill to reach the best conclusion for everyone involved. Show me Your truth through my eyes and the eyes of others.

Scriptures for Today

Isaiah 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. (KJV)

Acts 11:17 And since God gave these Gentiles the same gift He gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to argue? (NLT)

Galatians 2:11 But when Peter came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he was clearly in the wrong. (NIV)