4 Boys on a Street Corner

A Christian man was walking to church one night when he encountered four boys loitering on the street corner.

He invited them to go to the service with him. They did, and each of the boys also agreed to return to church with him the next Sunday. They became the nucleus of a Sunday School class the man began to teach.

Years later, a group of the man's friends decided to try to contact the four boys to see what had happened in their lives, and to invite them to write a special birthday letter to their teacher to be read at a surprise party.

Their letters revealed that one of them had become a missionary to China, one was the president of the Federal Reserve Bank, one was the private secretary to President Herbert Hoover, and the fourth was President Hoover himself.

If you were to hold a handful of pine nuts in your hand today, you could not begin to predict which of the seeds might actually sprout and produce a giant tree. It is incredible to consider that such a large tree might grow from such a small seed. The only way to tell which nuts have trees inside them is to plant them.



When you plant acts of kindness and generosity to others, you never know what mighty tree may grow from that small seed.

And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men (Colossians 3:23).

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