

Bloom where You're Planted

There is a quote used a lot in books about leadership that says: *Bloom where you are planted.*

The point is that no matter where you are, you should try to make a difference. We might not be in the situation we would prefer, but we can still make a decision to serve others.

Serving others isn't impossible. It's what we are called to do in Life Care and Century Park. You can serve at work or anywhere.

But you have to be willing to be patient with others, to love them, to be meek, to consider others as more important than yourself.

That's what the Apostle Paul was telling the church in Ephesians 4:1-3. He was saying that the people in the church at Ephesus could have "unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." But only if they served each other with humility would they know peace.

If they fought and preferred themselves to others, then they would not know peace. That's how Christian unity works.

Let's make a decision to focus our attitude on others today. No matter where you are or whom you are around, you and I can serve.

To do that, we will need an attitude of humility.

Jesus gave us a perfect example to follow.

The Apostle Paul, in his letter to the church at Ephesus, said this: *I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace* (Ephesians 4:1-3 NKJV).

Here is a prayer appropriate for our calling: *Father, help me to serve others around me today. Help me to make a difference right where You have placed me.*

– Beecher Hunter