

THE SIGN ON THE SHIRT

I read recently about a humble couple who had only recently dedicated themselves to Christ.

They were good people with one weakness. They were illiterate. They could not read. They refused, however, to allow this limitation to keep them from being involved in a Christian community.

They met on a regular basis with a group of believers, all of whom dressed alike while engaged in a certain project. The men all wore red shirts when working on this project, so the woman made a red shirt for her husband.

He came home after a meeting, however, with a look of disappointment on his face because the other men had a message printed on their shirts, but he did not. Of course, he had no idea what the message said, since he could not read. But it bothered him that his shirt bore no message.

His wife, undaunted by her inability to read, decided to sew a message on his shirt as well. She chose three words that she copied from a sign in a store window across the street. Neither she nor her husband knew what the words meant, but he wore his newly lettered shirt to the next meeting.

Afterwards, he came home bubbling with joy. He said all of the men really liked the inscription because it so aptly described the wonderful change they had seen in his life.

It turned out that his wife had sewn these words she had seen on a store onto her husband's shirt: **Under New Management.**

I guess that said it all. Since they had met Christ, their lives were under new management.

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to testify to the power of God in your life. If Christ has touched you, healed you, given you a reason to go on, if you are under new management, tell the story to others. Tell it simply, so no one can misunderstand.

"Under new management" will be reflected in your words and in your actions. And your joy will be evident.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come (2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV).

