Tricking a Newcomer

Recently, I read about a woman who took her first office job in a medical clinic. As she reported to work, a co-worker took her aside and advised, "The first thing you do every morning is help me arrange these tickets in alphabetical order." The new employee obediently followed the more experienced woman's instructions, and then struggled through her own duties.

"Within a few days, I realized she had tricked me into doing some of her work. I planned to tell her I had no time to help her anymore," the newcomer recalled. "As we stood side by side, she confided, 'I didn't get much sleep last night. My husband is a double amputee. He's in a lot of pain.'

"Tears filled her eyes, and then I knew. God needed me to be an enabler to my co-worker. As we worked those few minutes together each morning, she talked and I listened. That was my job."

Working cooperatively and honorably with others should be the goal of every employee in any organization, and it is certainly true in Life Care, American Lifestyles and Life Care at Home.

A good work ethic and a team spirit are an awesome combination. The Bible speaks of such corporate focus in Nehemiah 4:6 – "So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work."

--Beecher Hunter