

## UNHAPPY WITH HIS MUGSHOT

A man being sought by police in Ohio was unhappy with the mugshot that was circulated with the warrant for his arrest, so he decided to send authorities a better one.

Donald A. (Chip) Pugh, 45, was wanted for failure to appear in multiple cases, including arson and vandalism, the Lima Police Department stated in a *Facebook* post. Police posted a mugshot of Pugh on their *Facebook* page, but the suspect didn't think it was the most representative of himself.



To rectify this, Pugh texted police a new selfie with the caption, "Here is a better photo; that one is terrible."

Police posted the new photo on *Facebook* with the caption, "We thank (Pugh) for being helpful, but now we would appreciate it if he would come speak to us at the police station about his charges."

It seems that it's human nature to be more concerned with looking good than actually being good. This way of thinking isn't restricted to criminals. Many upstanding members of society – including church people – are just as guilty of being too concerned with appearances.

Too often we are more concerned with what others think of us than of what God thinks of us. That can be dangerous, for it produces Christians who think they can be good without repentance.

Don't be satisfied with posting a better mugshot of yourself for the public to admire. As often as it's necessary, turn to God in repentance of sins and allow Him to cleanse you from the inside out.

*And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you (Matthew 6:5-6 NIV).*

– Beecher Hunter