

If you are a Christian:

· God has certain expectations of you

your unbelieving neighbor has certain expectations of you

your fellow believers have expectations

Trusted to be <u>adjusted</u>.... analogy of injury/chiropractic

What does it mean to be well adjusted?

physical > handle exercise/exertion
STABLE •BALANCED

spiritual > YES!

We are hard pressed on every side but not crushed; perplexed but not in despair; persecuted but not abandoned; struck down but not destroyed (11Cor. 4:8). THIS IS "WELL ADJUSTED"!

STRONG enough to lift othersstrength is "received from" God

You are not strong enough to lift others if you are weak yourself.

We who are <u>strong</u> have an obligation to bear the <u>weakness</u> of those without strength and not to please only ourselves (*Romans 15:1*).

Why do you wish to be strong (in the Lord)?

hope of <u>heaven</u>?

 have an easier or more pleasant life for your <u>self</u>?

 to be able to help <u>others</u> who are not strong?

WISE enough to teach others

Those who are ignorant, foolish, or confused need someone to **admonish** and **teach** them.

We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all **wisdom**, so that we may **present everyone perfect** in Christ... I labor, struggling with all his **energy** that so powerfully works in me. (Col. 1:28-29)

This can only be someone well adjusted enough to <u>see</u>, <u>care</u>, and <u>speak</u>. **IS THIS YOU?**

PASSIONATE enough to motivate others.

Your help is **needed** because...

You are **trusted** because...

You are **competent**...

Confidence in self is not nearly so important as <u>passion</u> for Christ!

*If you love Christ, that will go a long way toward keeping you "adjusted"!

•Therefore, you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 1:7)

• Now to each person the spirit is given for the common good (1 Cor. 12:7).