

Don't judge by

Appearances



Children of Costa Rica

Costa Rica is located in Central America, between Nicaragua and Panama. The language of Costa Rica is Spanish. Many of the children in this country are homeless. There is a lot of trouble and abuse in the homes and children leave home to live on the streets. Christian missionaries are seeking to help them. Pray they receive the assistance they need to get off the streets. As you eat your meal, pray for these young children to be able to eat a good meal tonight. Pray that the missionaries will receive the supplies and funds they need to care for all these homeless children.

We shouldn't decide what a person is like just by the way he looks; only God knows what is in his heart. Jesus told a story of a man who was lying hurt in a ditch on the side of a road. Two different people walked by that were religious church leaders and they did not help the man. But a third man, one who was a foreigner, had compassion on him. He stopped and helped the man who was dying, and took him to a place where he could get well. From their appearances you would think that the first two would have taken pity on the man; but, who really had the best heart? We should do the same. We should show God's love to any person in trouble, whether they are rich or poor, no matter what their race, religion, or nationality.



You can't judge what is in a gift box, by how it is wrapped. A box with very colorful wrapping and a beautiful bow may hold something you can't use, while a very plain small box may hold a real prize.

Man looks at the outward appearance, but God looks at the heart. (1 Samuel 16:7)

God Looks at the Heart

Beauty is more than being good looking on the outside; it is an attitude of the heart. When you want to look your best, it is more important to have kind thoughts shining out of bright eyes than to have a cool haircut and the latest fad in clothes. Your heart should have the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. What is a meek and quiet spirit? It is a heart that is secure, patient, and yielded to God. It trusts in God. It doesn't worry other people or allow itself to worry. Meekness is not weakness, but strength under control. It lets God get the glory. It lets Jesus shine through!

Record in your journal your favorite thing you did, or saw, or ate today. Write down someone you would like to pray for



Can you find which box is connected to the cross?

