

great as the favor that he is sure the other person would give me, and to see the change in him immediately--how he stiffens right up and says, "Oh, well, this is different altogether." Immediately instead of your being his friend that he is bound to help, you are the ~~one~~ with whom ~~xxxxxxx~~ he is doing business and he will exact the last penny from you. I've seen that happen various times. It is remarkable to see how quickly people's attitudes can ~~xxxx~~ change. The hear of men is deceitful and desperately wicked. Even when the unbeliever appears to be your best friend, and even when you have done a great deal for him, do it as unto the Lord and look to the Lord for your reward and not to him. Don't be surprised if he turns against you. The same is true to a lesser extent of the Christian. If you find a person who is greatly used of the Lord and God is wonderfully blessing, do not when you find that person still has selfishness to him, do not lose faith in the value of his service to the Lord. God has to use pretty bad representatives even including all of us here together. He has to use bad vessels and God we must pray will cleanse us and pray that He will show us our personal ways in which we need improvement, but be charitable of the other person and realize that even though the other person ~~may~~ be only twice as good as you are, he still has got a long way to go, and don't lose confidence in him because he makes some pretty bad act sometimes.

Now we'll look at the other question next time.

Just a few more words on the subject we were discussing, the subject of deception or lying in the Scriptures. The subject which we are not examining fully at this time but noting a few outstanding features in connection with it. I mentioned last time. I believe at the very end of the hour that the two passages which were most difficult from the standpoint that any deception would be wrong would be I Samuel 16 and Jeremiah 38:27. In I Samuel 16 we noticed that Samuel was going to do something which God had commanded him to do. It evidently was not God's will at this time ~~xxxx~~ that Samuel should suffer as a