

# *The Pastor's Corner*

## **Be Like Children**

“Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 18:3-4

I was having breakfast and watching CNN when a special segment featuring two city council members, Daron Lee and John Williams of Warner Robins, Georgia, were being interviewed for an incident that occurred during a city council meeting. Apparently there were racial remarks being exchanged between the two men (Lee is black and Williams is white) and was caught and confirmed on camera.

Without going into details, Lee, in his fifties, insisted that this has been one of the many incidences involving insensitive remarks from Williams, a much older gentleman in his late sixties. On the other hand, Williams believes Lee is just too sensitive and that he doesn't believe he said anything wrong. In any case, the issue has now caught the attention of the NAACP and is calling for Williams to step down from his position.

What struck my attention was when the interviewer asked both men about apologizing. When Williams was asked if he would apologize he said, “I'm not going to apologize unless he apologizes first because he (Lee) started it.” When Lee was asked he said, “I don't feel I need to apologize to him because I didn't do anything to him.” Right then I thought, no offense to these political leaders, but they sure sound like children on a playground.

Honestly, here are two grown men who represent many people in their respective districts yet they are acting like children on national TV. Moreover, I couldn't help but think that if Jesus were listening to these two grown men, He would say something like, “gentlemen, I didn't say act like children...I meant to be humble like children.”

~ by Pastor Fred Toailoa