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Are You A Minus Or A Plus?

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"The liberal person shall be enriched, and he who waters shall himself be watered" (Proverbs 11:25 AMP).

There are two kinds of people; minus-people and plus-people. A minus person is the kind of person you leave in an office only to come back and find the chair or some other thing broken. When you take him to your house, he just turns everything upside down; he breaks furniture and your household appliances start having faults. But a plus person treats everything good and you would almost not want him to go. The house is always clean when he's around and he never uses bad language. Such a person is a plus to your home.

A minus person has a critical spirit; for example, he would always criticize the choir ministrations in church, but a plus person wouldn't think like that. Rather he decides to join the choir and add fresh ideas to what they are doing; he's a plus, you see! Always, he's thinking about increase. He's the kind of fellow who's always looking out for someone to help, he's always doing something new and different for people, and the Kingdom of God is always uppermost on his mind. That's unlike the minus person who's ever in a hurry and wouldn't see the need around him.

The man that's a plus is the man with an excellent spirit. The Bible described Daniel as a man with an excellent spirit, and because of this, he "...was preferred above the presidents and princes ...the king thought to set him over the whole realm" (Daniel 6:3). He became a leader of leaders. When you study his life, you'll observe that many others plotted against him but they failed. A man that's a plus will always excel above his colleagues, and he would certainly have critics. All those other leaders plotted against Daniel because they were all minuses. Instead of channelling their talents and strengths into doing great things for their kingdom, they busied themselves with plotting to destroy a man that meant them no harm. That's how minus people are; they are spiritually myopic!

If you're a Christian then you're a plus in your home and in your office; you're a plus wherever you go. Why? It is because God has increased you and you're not working with your ability, you're working with His ability. The Bible says, "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God" (Romans 8:19), therefore, men will see you excel and give glory to God.

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FURTHER STUDY: DANIEL 6:2-5

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