

The Kingdom Imperative is to BE, not DO

The US children's TV program Romper Room aired in Australia when I was growing up. During the 1950s to 1970s Romper Room trained children in manners and how to be a useful person, reinforcing home values. For example:

"Etiquette was a focus of Romper Room. The hostesses were always addressed as "Miss." The show also had a mascot, Mr. Do-Bee. Mr. Do-Bee was an oversized bumblebee who came to teach the children proper deportment. He was noted for always starting his sentence with "Do Bee," as in the imperative "Do be"; for example, "Do Bee good boys and girls for your parents!" There was also a "Mr. Don't Bee" to show children exactly what they should not do. Do-Bee balloons were made available for purchase to the public. Each balloon featured a painted sketch of Do-Bee. When the balloons were inflated and then released, they would fly around slowly and emit a buzzing sound.

*The hostess would also serve milk and cookies to the children. Before eating, they would recite the Romper Room prayer: "God is great, God is good. Let us thank Him for our food. Amen"."*¹

But then environmentalism & political correctness took over.

Mr Do Bee² was the mascot who was used in Romper Room and Australian primary schools (US elementary schools) to encourage children to be 'busy bees' doing good deeds for family and other people.

Being a 'busy bee' has been ingrained in the psyche of my generation (the 'baby boomers') and we tried to instil the same ideology in our children. We were less successful because atheism became the ideology of schools where left-wing, socialist and environmental ideas supplanted Mr Do Bee.

Recently as I was thinking about how life in the Kingdom should be lived, I had dropped into my spirit the remembrance of Mr Do Bee and how that mindset is contrary to what is to happen in the Kingdom.



In the Kingdom our focus is to BE, not DO.

A yellow rectangular graphic with black text and several small cartoon bee illustrations. The text reads: "Be a BE-DOO not a DO-BEE". Below this, it says: "As infants we are trained to be 'busy bees' doing things so we learn to be productive as adults". Then: "The Kingdom is the reverse of this". Finally: "First, go through your training to BE a fully functional son and only then let Father show you what to DO".

As sons we have to learn to become genuine sons and operate like that. Our King has reinforced that with us be advising us that he's look for right-hand sons,³ the ones he can trust to carry out his plans on Earth.⁴

It's out of our sonship and alignment with the Kingdom that we are released into our Kingdom assignments where we DO our Kingdom business.

We've got to get our priorities straight. We don't do things for God, we partner with him in relationship being about Father's business.

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