

SOUR MILK

Dear Friends:

I'm a milkman! No, not the guy who used to ride around from house to house to drop off milk or milk products. I'm a milkman because it is my second favorite drink, it has been ever since I was a kid. There's one danger in drinking milk: if you don't pay attention - sooner or later you are going to drink some sour milk! Yech, yech, yech. And I say that from experience.

I can think of something worse than swallowing sour milk: having to swallow someone's sour attitude. In Luke 10:38-42 we discover that Jesus walked right into a sour attitude situation. He stopped at the home of two sisters: Mary and Martha. When he arrived immediately Martha goes to work, presumably preparing a meal for 15 people. It does not take her long to notice she is doing all the work while her sister Mary is just sitting at the feet of Jesus listening to him talk. Martha's attitude goes south in a hurry (in a way, I don't blame her). If you get a chance read Luke 10:38-42 and learn 3 reasons why Martha's attitude went south.

First, Martha's work was more important than her waiting (on Jesus). By waiting I don't mean like, taking his food order but, she should have put the meal off for a few minutes and learned from Jesus. No one would have starved. Second, her whining was more important than her witness. Verse 40 says "...Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself?" Commentators comment that this was no gentle sweet tone, it was more like an angry outburst. Not a good witness. Third, Martha's worry trumped her worship. She was giving no thought to worship but giving all of her thoughts to what Mary was NOT doing.

We meet people with sour attitudes far more than our lips run into sour milk. Be on your guard, stay away from sour attitudes and sour milk!

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Mike

Prayer: Rose Farber, Faye Cooper, Wars in Ukraine and Israel

Events: Shelter House Re-Dedication during worship service this week