

BE CAREFUL

JOHN 17:1-11

A man was being tailgated by a stressed-out woman on a busy street. Suddenly the light turned yellow. And though he could have run it, he chose not to. The tailgating woman - who was all set to run it with him - missed his rear end by a matter of inches. Screeching to a stop, she jerked forward in her seat. Figuratively, she hit the roof. Literally, she hit the horn. Rolling down the window, she screamed and gestured (loudly and obscenely) until an officer approached her in mid-rant and had the gall to ask for her license and registration.

When he returned, she had calmed enough to inquire as to why she – rather than the stupid jerk in front of her - was under suspicion. "Well," said the officer, "when I pulled up behind you blowing your horn and screaming, I paused to read your bumper stickers."

"God loves you and so do I."

"Honk if you love Jesus."

"My boss is a Jewish carpenter."

"Then I saw the chrome-plated fish emblem on your trunk. So you can understand why I assumed you had stolen the car."

Is how we treat others a reflection that we belong to God? Do our actions glorify God? Jesus prays that are actions and how we live our faith will be one with him, as Jesus is one with God. May we repent of the things that do not glorify God and our Lord and Savior.

God bless,

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