

## **The "Taste Berry"**

In Africa it is said that there is a certain fruit called the "taste berry." This berry supposedly can affect one's taste for several hours. Not only is the berry itself sweet, it makes other things seem sweeter when eaten. What a wonderful fruit this must be if it really exists and works that well.

In human personality there is a "taste berry," and it is one's attitude. If one's attitude is good, good can be found in the worst of tragedies. The worst of defeats can spur one on to do better the next time and to take advantage of lessons learned. With the right attitude one can see good in others in spite of their faults. A flawed effort on the part of someone whose heart is not totally pure can be viewed, not as a worthless attempt by a scoundrel, but as a step in the right direction.

It would be nice if we had a spiritual taste berry which we could give to people which would instantaneously make them positive, tenderhearted, grateful encouragers. All I know to do is to recommend a strong dose of prayer, Bible reading and "thinking about such things" as whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely and admirable (Col. 4:8).

-Excerpts from article "It All Depends on Your Attitude" by Joel Stephen Williams