

Who are You?

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Editor's Note: We all have thoughts – some good - some bad, but nonetheless they are thoughts. Our thoughts should be reflected upon and dealt with biblically (Rom. 12:1-3; Gal. 6:3; Phil. 3:12-17; Phil. 4:8-9; 2 Pet. 3:1, etc.). 'Just Thinkin' Out Loud' (spelling of 'thinkin' is purposeful) is a series of thoughts that are being made public. You may or may not agree with all of the thoughts you read in this series, but it will help all of us to discuss them – out loud. The hope of the author and editors at IIIM is that this will assist all of us to begin personal reflection upon our own thoughts and compare them with God's perspective in Holy Scripture. Readers are encouraged to use small discussion groups and/or our RPM forum for any irenic discussion(s) of these specific thoughts and others they may bring about.

“Jesus we know, and Paul we have heard of, but who are you?”

Among early Memphis broadcasters there are legends known as Hoyt Wooten stories. Here's my favorite:

One day Bob went to Channel 3 studios looking for a job. Channel 3 was in the basement of a hotel in those days, and took some looking for to find. After finding the studio, Bob had to find someone to help him find the personnel manager. This wasn't easy. He ended up walking into the studio area where there was a rather ordinary-looking man in a plaid shirt sweeping the studio floor. He asked the man where the personnel manager might be, and the man led him to the right office. After some discussion, the manager decided he needed Bob's services, but had to get the consent of the **BOSS**. He led Bob back out to the studio area and introduced him to the ordinary-looking man in the plaid shirt, sweeping the studio floor who just happened to be Hoyt Wooten, the owner of the station.

You can be a thorough professional, very good at what you do, but don't let your head become the Goodyear Blimp. Be janitor, or whatever other seemingly common job title there is to be, and do whatever is needed to keep things going well around you. It might put a hatpin in your ego, and it might give you some perspective into what other people and activities support your task.

So be a janitor once in a while. After all, we're all just servants on borrowed time, in a borrowed world.

Tell me what you think, I'm just thinkin' out loud.

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