

An Interesting Thought!

Here's a question for you. How many Christians do you know who are football fanatics? I'm not talking about those who enjoy watching the odd game, because most people watch it occasionally. I ask because for a while, I couldn't understand why anybody could be so fanatical about football, or any other sport for that matter. Yes, I enjoy watching the American wrestling for lots of reasons, but not to the extent that everything else in my life comes second to it, which is what I mean.

So why are there so few Christians who are fanatical about football? It all has to do with God. We were all meant to have Him in our lives, but as the Bible tells us, we have all been given free-will. Those who do not have God in their lives often feel there is something missing. So they find something to fill the gap. Normally it is either an activity that is one-on-one, or as a group. The most common one-on-one experience tends to be sex. A group activity could be a rock concert, or a football match. All these things give a temporary buzz to the person, but don't fill the gap for long.

But Christians have the gap filled by God and the Holy Spirit. They still enjoy a concert, but they don't crave it, or become totally obsessed by it, because God is always with them. This is possibly why Christians are frequently looked on by others as being boring. Christians don't need the buzz provided by such things.

So what about those Christians who are fanatical about football or anything else? It could be that the church they go to is spiritually dead, and doesn't entirely fill the gap in their life. Or, they may not be totally filled by the Holy Spirit and they still need the feeling of belonging, of having a purpose in life. Do not condemn them for it. There has only ever been one perfect person on this world, and that is Jesus Christ. We are all on a journey, trying to be more like Christ, but we are human, and we all have weaknesses. So pray for them. You don't have to tell them, or pray with them. It doesn't have to be anything fancy, it doesn't matter if the words come out all wrong, God knows what is on your mind and in your heart. If you'd rather we pray for them, send us an e-mail. You don't have to give us any information about the person concerned if you don't want to. All we ask is that you type the words Fill the gap in the subject box.