

JET BLAST

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Editorial

Are You.....?

There's an old adage about a donkey who put on a lion skin and went about scaring all the other animals around him. He did fine until he opened his mouth and braying, gave himself away for a donkey.

There is a modern counterpart to this story, only today, the donkey puts on a uniform and goes around giving people the impression that he's a sailor. He too does fine until he opens his mouth and gives himself away as a donkey.

He is the lad whose extraordinary lack of intelligence is demonstrated by his behavior in movies, where by loud yells and cat-calls he seeks to inform the audience that he is impressed with the performance.

He is the bright young oaf who seems to think rowdiness and rudeness establish him as a real military man when actually all it does is point him out as an ill-behaved child.

He is the brilliant young scholar, who, with matchless lack of manners, demonstrates his mastery of social ignorance by making a clownish spectacle of himself in public places.

To top it off he never realizes that he is fooling no one. It takes more than a uniform to make a sailor---a real sailor knows this and has nothing but contempt for our donkey friend who only masquerades as a sailor.

He wrongs not only himself, but the Navy and every man in it. How about you? Are you a sailor or a donkey in a sailor's uniform?

Chaplain's Chat

Man for many years has said 'This I believe', yet his life is lived on a much different basis. We are only fooling ourselves, for Christ said, 'By your fruits ye shall be known'.

What do you believe? Look at your life and see what indications there are for your true self. Man lives by what he believes, he worships what he loves, he aspires to be like that which inspires him to achievements of merit.

The Psalmist said, 'Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners,

nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord'. When we believe in a God as revealed to us by Jesus in the Holy Scriptures we will be like HIM. We will love one another. We will aspire to do good for and to each other, not just once a year, but each and every day. We tend to be like, to follow, to worship the one we truly believe in.

Your basic belief is what you put your hope and trust in. 'By your fruits you ARE known.'

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