



## The Ripple Effect

Your life first touches your immediate family members and coworkers and they influence their family members and coworkers.

Thus, your character and the character of your coworkers determine the culture of your work place and your community.

When you conduct yourself well, you require less supervision, and you earn the trust of others. When all parties keep their promises, business can proceed. When individuals practice self-discipline instead of pursuing raw self-interest, it makes road safety, family harmony, and even criminal justice possible.

Without personal integrity, individuals have a much harder time relating to one another. Family relationships get wrecked and broken; contracts go unfulfilled and have to be enforced; and interest groups argue over whose rights take precedence instead of asking themselves what is right.

## Joke of the Week

A lawyer and an engineer were fishing in the Caribbean. The lawyer said, "I'm here because my house burned down, and everything I owned was destroyed by the fire. The insurance company paid for everything."

That's quite a coincidence," said the engineer. "I'm here because my house and all my belongings were destroyed by a flood, and my insurance company also paid for everything."

The lawyer thought for a moment, but was puzzled. Finally he asked the engineer, "How do you start a flood?"