To Whom Are You Drawn

"The true nature of the heart is seen in its response to the unattractive. Show me who you love and I'll tell you who you are." 1

Take a test of character and ask yourself with whom in your class do you spend most of your time. Is it a certain student? Are they the boys? The girls? Other teachers? Many leaders stay where they are drawn, and many adults are drawn to other adults. Just watch...in the middle of a crowded room with a hundred people, you will find a great percentage of the workers at the back of the room with each other rather than in and among the students where the *real* action is taking place.

To whom are you drawn concerning your group? Well behaved students? Or to those whose actions are more difficult and yet present you with greater opportunities to minister to them because of it?

To whom are drawn in life? People who are like you? (Yes, we all are, but how does that affect ministry?) Are you drawn to attractive people? People who will give you a kind word and a loving touch? Or, are you drawn to those who *need* a loving touch, a gentle hug, and a kind word?

Consider the people to whom Jesus was drawn. You will find him hanging around tax collectors and sinners—the least likely and the unlovely. The Great Physician came to seek and save those who were lost. Think about it.

¹Max Lucado, *And the Angels were Silent*, (Portland, Oregon: Multnomah, 1992), p. 139-141, 144. Copyright three-thirty ministries, 2008. www.threethirtyministries.org