

# Vanity

My behavior is more important than how I look.

*God does not judge by external appearance.*

*Galatians 2:6*

## Acting Pretty

“No!” screamed Janelle as her mommy brushed her hair. “I want braids!”  
“Your hair looks pretty when it’s down, too,” said her big brother, Scotty, as he watched Mommy walk away.

“No,” Janelle continued to holler. “Come back, Mommy. I want braids!”  
“We don’t have time,” said Mommy as she hurried around the room. “We have to leave in five minutes. I don’t have time to braid your hair right now.”

“But I want to look pretty,” Janelle whined as she kicked her feet against the stool on which she was sitting.

“You’d better stop it,” Scotty warned his sister. “You’re acting really bad. You’re going to get in trouble.”

Just as Scotty finished his warning, Janelle’s stool tipped over, and she crashed to the floor.

Janelle wasn’t hurt from falling off the stool, just scared. She had wanted pretty braids so much that she forgot something that is even more important-acting pretty. God cares more about how you look on the inside than how you look on the outside.

## Your Turn

1. Do you look as good on the inside as you do on the outside?
2. Why does God care how you act?

## Prayer

God, please help me to remember that how I act is more important than how I look. Amen.