A Motto for Teachers Like Me: ”Live Honestly”!

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As a job which is in legal terms called of moral ascendancy, teachers should adopt this adage.

As stated in the first line, we are liable of being immoral because our actions will reflect the attitudes and manners of students directly or indirectly.

Unlike other jobs or works teachers like us are always with our students. As they grow up, we should pray that they will learn to discriminate more and more between right and wrong.

And this is the most crucial part. Eventually, these children will compare one’s actions with our words. If what we do and what we say do not match up, they will be confused, not knowing which to follow-our actions? Or our words.

Children, as they say are the greatest imitators. They would do whatever they see especially from their teachers who they most idolize. (There was even a parent, consensus since then that up to now, their children believe what their teachers say and do more than theirs.)

Teachers must be aware that these students put a searchlight on our lives. They are inquisitive, aren’t they? They are very much curious about the minutest details in our lives. That’s how concerned they are!

The idiom “Do as I say is already a passe”. It is no longer the highest standard. It is already obsolete. Never heard. For a teacher, an honest life invites “Do as I do”. That means, having actions and words that match up.

Since children are more likely to do what you do than to do what you say, therefore be cautious in our actions and also in our words.