

## Daily Devotion For September 15, 2021

Have you ever been misunderstood? Yesterday at my morning swim class we were working on improving our times by doing a series of sprints. The woman in the lane next to me was having a difficult time and told our instructor that she was hyperventilating.

So, I turned to the woman and asked, "How are you doing?" Then I told her that I was having a hard time too, then added, "**I'm** just getting old." The woman who had her swim cap over her ears misunderstood what I said and thought I said, "**You're** just getting old." That was embarrassing for me to think that she thought I was calling her old.

If anyone knows what it is like to be misunderstood it is Jesus. In Matthew 26:59-69 Jesus said that he would tear down the temple and build it up in three days. Jesus did say that but what he was referring to was his own death and resurrection. The religious leaders misunderstood what Jesus meant. We read in the gospels that there were many skeptics and unbelievers. As in Jesus day, there are many today who misunderstand who Jesus was and his purpose for coming to earth.

So often in life we are misunderstood and it can be frustrating and even damage relationships. Well, I hope and pray the woman will say "hi" to me tomorrow morning.

**Thought For Today:** If you have been misunderstood take heart, Jesus understands how you feel. Pray that truth will be made known and the explanation, either by you or someone else will shed light on the truth. Above all, remember God knows the truth and knows your heart.

**Today's Prayer Focus:** Thank God that he knows and understands when we are misunderstood. Pray for the truth and especially the truth of God's Word to be revealed. Continue to pray this week's prayer fuel. Deo Volente.