

The Influencer

Person 1 walks in carrying a log. Walks up to person 2.

P1: (excitedly) I did it! I did it! I did it!

P2: Did what?

P1: It was really hard, and it took me all night, but I actually managed to do it.

P2: Yes, but what did you do!!

P1: I pulled the log out of my eye.

P2: Wow! It's huge.

P1: What? Oh this. No I just brought this along for dramatic effect. Hang on let me get the log (pulls out a piece of wood the size of a toothpick).

P2: Is that all there was?

P1: Yeah, why?

P2: Well, it doesn't seem very big for a log.

P1: Yeah, I was surprised too. We are told so much that we are sinners, but I guess I wasn't such a big sinner after all.

P2: Is that so!?

P1: Anyway, you know what this means don't you?

P2: No, what?

P1: Well, now that I have pulled the log out of my eye, it means I can see clearly to pull the speck out of other people's eyes. Hang on let me go and check out the eye of the pastor (does that then looks at congregation as if to say: 'That's huge').

P2: I don't think that's going to work.

P1: Why not?

P2: I don't think people are going to feel loved.

P1: Well how about I do a presentation to the congregation: 'How I pulled the log out of my eye'.

P2: I don't think that will work either.

P1: I just want to be an influencer.

P2: You can be an influencer.

P1: I can!? How?

P2: I kind of suspect there's a lot of log left in your eye. They tend to be a lot bigger than a toothpick. You just keep working on getting it out. As you do that with the Spirit's help, you can be sure that you will be an influencer.

P1: Really?

P2: For sure.

P1: Hey, maybe this is a log that actually came out of someone's eye?

P2: Nah, I would say that's a rotting beam that you replaced under your house with the help of Geoff.

P1: Ohh yeah (looking sheepish).