

MOVING FROM FAILURE TO SUCCESS.
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It is easier to obtain than to maintain.

1Corinthians 9:25-Passion

A true athlete will be disciplined in every respect, practicing constant self-control in order to win a laurel wreath that quickly withers. But we run our race to win a victor's crown that will last forever.

God's pattern for success is a pattern of purification or refinement.

God's plan for us begins with the positive and will end with the positive.

Philippians 1:6-Passion

I pray with great faith for you, because I'm fully convinced that the One who began this glorious work in you will faithfully continue the process of maturing you and will put his finishing touches to it until the unveiling of our Lord Jesus Christ!

James 1:3-Passion)

For you know that when your faith is tested it stirs up power within you to endure all things.

1Peter 4:12-AMP

Beloved, do not be amazed *and* bewildered at the fiery ordeal which is taking place to test your quality, as though something strange (unusual and alien to you and your position) were befalling you.

But insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, rejoice, so that when His glory [full of radiance and splendor] is revealed, you may also rejoice with triumph [exultantly].

Wuest - ... Divinely loved ones, stop thinking that the smelting process which is among you and which has come to you for the purpose of testing, is a thing alien to you, ...

Daniel 12:10-AMP

Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be tried, smelted, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly.

Smelting is a process of applying heat to an ore to extract a desired base metal product.

1Corinthians 15:45-49-AMP

Thus, it is written, the first man Adam became a living being (an individual personality); the last Adam (Christ) became a life-giving Spirit [*restoring the dead to life*]. [Gen 2:7]

But it is not the spiritual life which came first, but the physical and then the spiritual.

The first man [*was*] from out of earth, made of dust (earthly-minded); the second Man [*is*] *the Lord* from out of heaven. [Gen 2:7]

Now those who are made of the dust are like him who was first made of the dust (earthly-minded); and as is [*the Man*] from heaven, so also [*are those*] who are of heaven (heavenly-minded).

And just as we have borne the image [*of the man*] of dust, so shall we *and so let us* also bear the image [*of the Man*] of heaven.

Joshua 1:7-9-Passion

7 You must remain very strong and courageous! Be faithful to obey all the teaching that my servant Moses commanded you to follow. Do not deviate from him to the right or to the left, so that you will have overwhelming success in everything you undertake.

8 Recite this scroll of the law constantly. Contemplate its day and night and be careful to follow every word it contains; then you will enjoy incredible prosperity and success.

9 I repeat, be strong and brave! Do not yield to fear nor be discouraged, for I am Yahweh your God, and I will be with you wherever you go!"

To be courageous means to turn your convictions into bold actions.

God has conditioned all of us to succeed in life.

Psalms 1:2-3-AMP

2 But his delight *and* desire are in the law of the Lord, and on His law (the precepts, the instructions, the teachings of God) he habitually meditates (ponders and studies) by day and by night. [Rom 13:8-10; Gal 3:1-29; 2Ti 3:16]

3 And he shall be like a tree firmly planted [*and tended*] by the streams of water, ready to bring forth its fruit in its season; its leaf also shall not fade *or* wither; and everything he does shall prosper [and come to maturity]. [Jer 17:7-8]

Prosperity is the natural, continually ordered result of righteousness in life.

Mark 9:23-Passion

Jesus said to him, "What do you mean 'if'? If you are able to believe, all things are possible to the believer."

God gives wisdom for our own pattern or strategy.

Proverbs 3:19-Passion

19The Lord laid the earth's foundations with wisdom's blueprints. By his living-understanding all the universe came into being.