7 SECRETS OF PEOPLE WHO LAST Success - Part 3

Psalm 35:27 (GN) "How great is the Lord! He is pleased with the success of His servant."

THE COMMON TRAPS OF SUCCESS

1. WHEN YOU ______

- Numbers 20:8, 11 (GN) (Moses) "The Lord said... Speak to the rock and water will gush out of it. In this way you will bring water out." (But) Moses struck the rock twice..."
- Numbers 20:12 (GN) "So the Lord reprimanded Moses... 'Because you did not have enough faith... you will not lead them into the land that I promised to give them.'"

THE ANTIDOTE: _____

- **Proverbs 19:8 (LB)** "He who loves wisdom loves his own best interest and will be a success."
- Ecclesiastes 10:10 "If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed, but skill will bring success."

2. WHEN YOU _____

- **2 Chronicles 25:2** (Amaziah) "He did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, but not whole heartedly."
- 2 Chronicles 25:2 (LB) "He did what was right, but sometimes he resented it."
- 2 Chronicles 25:2 (GN) "He did what was right, but he did it reluctantly."
- 2 Chronicles 31:21 (GN) (Hezekiah) was successful, because everything he did... he did in a spirit of complete loyalty and devotion to his God."
- 2 Chronicles 26:5b "As long as he sought the Lord, God gave Uzziah success."
- **Proverbs 16:3 (GN)** "Ask the Lord to bless your plans, and you will be successful in carrying them out."

3. WHEN YOU ____

- **1 Kings 12:7-9** (Rehoboam) "If today you will be a servant to these people and serve them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your servants. But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him..."
- **1 Kings 12:17 (LB)** "They all deserted him, except for the tribe of Judah."
- **Proverbs 28:13** "A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful, but if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance."

THE ANTIDOTE: _____

- **Proverbs 15:22 (GN)** "Get all the advice you can, and you will succeed; without it you will fail."
- **Proverbs 16:20 (GN)** "Pay attention to what you are taught, and you will be successful."
- **Proverbs 20:18 (GN)** "Get good advice and you will succeed; don't go charging into battle without a plan."

4. WHEN YOU _____

- 1 Samuel 18:16, 30 (GN) (David) "Everyone in Israel and Judah loved David because he was such a successful leader... in every battle David was more successful than any of Saul's other officers. As a result David became very famous."
- **2 Samuel 11:1** "In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab... out with the army. But David remained in Jerusalem."
- **1 Kings 11:4** (Solomon) "As Solomon grew old, his wives turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the Lord..."

- **Proverbs 22:29 (LB)** "Do you know a hard-working man? He shall be successful and stand before kings!"
- Ecclesiastes 11:6 "Sow your seed in the morning, and at evening let not your hands be idle, for you do not know which will succeed, whether this or that, or whether both will do equally well."

5. WHEN YOU _____

- **2 Kings 18:7 (GN)** (Hezekiah) "So the Lord was with him and Hezekiah was successful in everything he did."
- **2** Chronicles 32:25, 31 (GN) "Hezekiah was too proud to show gratitude for what the Lord had done for him and Judah and Jerusalem suffered for it... God let Hezekiah go his own way in order to test his character."

THE ANTIDOTE: _____

- **2 Kings 18:5-7 (GN)** "Hezekiah trusted in the Lord... He was faithful to the Lord, and never disobeyed him, but carefully kept all the commands that the Lord had given Moses. So the Lord was with him and he was successful in everything he did."
- **Proverbs 3:6 (LB)** "In everything you do, put God first, and He will direct you and crown your efforts with success."

6. WHEN YOU _____

2 Chronicles 26:15-16 (GN) (Uzziah) "His fame spread everywhere, and he became very powerful because he received help from God. But when King Uzziah became strong, he grew arrogant, and that led to his downfall."

- **Psalms 71:7-8 (LB)** (David) "My success at which so many stand amazed is because You are my mighty protector. All day long I'll praise and honor You, O God, for all that You have done for me."
- **2 Corinthians 3:5 (LB)** "Not because we think we can do anything of lasting value by ourselves. Our only power and success comes from God."
- Job 22:29 (GN) "God brings down the proud and saves the humble."

7. WHEN YOU ____

Numbers 11:10-15 (GN) (Moses) "Moses heard all the people complaining... He was distressed ... and he said to the Lord ... 'Why have You given me the responsibility for all these people? I didn't create them or bring them to birth! Why should You ask me to act like a nurse and carry them in my arms like babies all the way to the land You promised? They keep whining... <u>I can't be</u> <u>responsible for all these people by myself; it's too much for me!</u> ... have pity on me and kill me, so that I won't have to endure Your cruelty any longer."

- Numbers 11:16-17 (GN) "The Lord said to Moses, 'Assemble seventy respected men who are recognized as leaders of the people... I will take some of the Spirit I have given you and give it to them. Then they can help you bear the responsibility for these people and you will not have to bear it alone."
- **Exodus 18:17-18, 21 (GN)** "Then Jethro said, 'You are not doing this right. You will wear yourself out and these people as well. This is too much for you to do alone... choose some capable men and appoint them as leaders of the people; leaders of thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens."
- **2 Timothy 2:2** "The things you've heard of me among many witnesses commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to train others also."