

THE PASTOR'S MINUTE

"The Most Important Ingredient For Success" (Part III)



The greatest handbook for success is the Bible. Many have spent their entire lives searching for answers that could have been found in the Bible in just ten minutes. Are you looking for success?

Well, take a look at what the Bible says about it. . .

God said to Joshua (1:8-9), *"If you will obey what I command you to do, you will find good success"* (paraphrased). Isaiah said (1:19), *"If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land."* Mary, the Mother of Jesus, said it like this. . . *"Whatsoever He (Jesus) says unto you, do it!"* (John 2:5).

The greatest ingredient for success is obedience; simply doing what God says do! Why is obedience so important?

#1—My obedience is my acceptance of the will of God.

#2—My obedience alleviates my chances of rebellion.

#3—My obedience allows God to do the impossible. When I obey what God tells me to do, I open the door for a miracle. In John 2, at the wedding at Cana, when the servants did what Jesus told them to do, verse 11 says, *"This was the beginning of miracles . . ."* In Luke 5:4, Jesus said to Peter, *"Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch."* Peter replied, *"Master, we have fished all night and have caught nothing; nevertheless, at your word, I will let down the net."* You know the rest of the story; they obeyed the words of Jesus, and they caught so many fish the nets began to break. When we obey, success follows!

#4—My obedience contributes to the blessing of others. When I obey God, someone else always is blessed. Luke 6:38 says, *"Give and it will be given unto you . . ."* Most of the time the emphasis is put on "the return," the "give unto you" part. We tend to forget that the most important part of giving is not looking for, and expecting our return, but instead, being obedient to God in the blessing of others. When I obey God, someone else is always blessed. Our success, as individuals, and as the body of Christ, will be determined by our obedience to God. **Nothing** can take the place of obedience. We must be people of prayer, but when God speaks, we must stand at our feet and obey. God wants you to be successful. Begin today! *"Whatsoever He says unto you, do it!"*

See Ya Sunday,
Pastor Johnny

Sunday Services

Sunday School ~ 9:30 AM
(at 1400 South Broad Street)
Morning Worship ~ 10:45 AM
(at Cairo High School Auditorium)
Evening Worship ~ 6:00 PM
(at Cairo High School Auditorium)

Wednesday Service

Small group discipleship classes
for all ages ~ 7:00 PM
(at 1400 South Broad Street)

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