



Love Does: Free to Fail

Matthew 16:13-23

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“[Jesus said] On this **ROCK** I will build my **CHURCH**, and the gates of **HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL** against it.” -Matthew 16:18

The only thing worse than **FAILING** at something that really matters, is **SUCCESSING** at something that doesn't matter.

“[Jesus said] I tell you, there will be more **JOY** in heaven over one sinner who repents than over 99 sinners who have no need for repentance.” -Luke 15:7

A Biblical Picture of Failure:

1. Many people **QUIT** too early, but God **NEVER** gives up.
2. It's not failure if you **LEARN** and **GROW** from it.
If trying something **DIFFICULT** and failing leads you to learn to better **DEPEND** on God, your failure is not in **VAIN**.
3. The **PAST** does not equal the **FUTURE**.

INVITATION: Come back on Wednesday for our “Love Does” Bible study →

CHALLENGE: Seek out a new challenge this week, pray, and do it!

Wednesdays:
5:30 pm - Family Mealtime
6:00 pm - Nursery, AWANA, and Jr. High SSM
6:15 pm - Adult Bible Study
7:30 pm - Head home

MESSAGES AND RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE AT SJLCHURCH.ORG/SERMONS
“LOVE DOES” BOOKS AND STUDY GUIDES ARE AVAILABLE
AT THE TABLE IN THE COURTYARD
BOOKS \$10; STUDY GUIDES \$5