



Travel Light - Part 4 - Letting Go of Failure
Pastor Mark Rouse - December 22, 2019

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst. - 1 Timothy 1:15

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.
- Isaiah 43:18-19

Letting Go of Failure

1) Face the EMOTIONS of my failure.

Later, Jesus appeared again to the disciples beside the Sea of Galilee. This is how it happened... 3 Simon Peter said, "I'm going fishing." "We'll come, too," they all said. So they went out in the boat, but they caught nothing all night. - John 21:1, 3

No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead... - Philippians 3:13

2) Allow failure to DRAW ME CLOSER TO GOD.

Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his tunic (for he had stripped for work), jumped into the water, and headed to shore. - John 21:7

3) LEARN from the source of my failure.

Peter declared, "Even if everyone else deserts you, I will never desert you." - Matthew 26:33

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. - Romans 8:28

4) LOOK FOR and OBEY God's new plan.

¹⁵ After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "you know I love you." "Then feed my lambs," Jesus told him. ¹⁶ Jesus repeated the question: "Simon son of John, do you love me?" "Yes, Lord," Peter said, "you know I love you." "Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said. ¹⁷ A third time he asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, "Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Then feed my sheep." - John 21:15-17

The godly may trip seven times, but they will get up again. But one disaster is enough to overthrow the wicked. - Proverbs 24:16

Epic Church Holiday Schedule:

- Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Services (2:00, 3:30 & 5:00pm) at the Main-Transit Banquet Hall (6777 Main St. Williamsville, NY 14221)
- Sunday, December 29 - No Sunday Services
- Sunday, January 5 - 9:00 & 10:30am services resume at the Regal Cinemas Transit Center