

Secrets to Success: To Be STILL

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

If the definition of success is moving from where we are to where God wants us to be, what role does His Word play in finding success?

Joshua 1:7-8; Psalm 37:4; Jeremiah 17:7-8

God never goes back on a promise. If we behaved more like God and kept our word, what would our world be like?

Matthew 5:37; 2 Corinthians 1:17-20; Ephesians 2:10; 2 Peter 1:4-8

Three Promise Killers:

1. Seemingly unmet <u>expectations</u>. Sometimes we put our own purposes before God's promise. When do we cross the line from responsible planning to having expectations that overshadow God's plans for us?

Proverbs 16:3; Proverbs 21:5; Psalm 37:7; 2 Corinthians 9:6

- **2. Silly unrelenting <u>doubts</u>**. Asking "why" happens when our expectations don't match God's promise. What does doubt open the door to? *Proverbs 3:5-8; Matthew 21:21; Romans 14:23; James 1:5-8*
- **3. Superficial unchangeable <u>circumstances</u>**. When faced with difficult circumstances, we can either panic, or we can stay calm and let God do His thing. How can we <u>be still</u> in times of trial?

Exodus 14:14; Psalm 46:10; Isaiah 41:10; Galatians 3:29

What's Next

- Don't neglect God's eternal promises to fix a temporal problem.
- Be still and trust God to enact His plan for your life.
- Rather than doubting or setting your own expectations, put your faith in God's Word and remember: He always keeps His promises.