

Victory Is - Living from A Position of Victory

Personal Reflection

1. What does it mean for me to live a victorious life in Christ Jesus?

2. How do I walk this out each day?

3. What are life factors impeding victory in my life?

4. What am I doing about these factors?

Our Ending Place Today

I Am the True Vine

John 15: 1-5

5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

Implications

8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

11 These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

Question: What does it mean to abide in the Jesus?

John Maxwell – Leadership Trainer

Book – 5 levels of leadership

1st Level (Position)

**The first level of leadership is granted by someone. What you do with your opportunity will determine how far you go towards influencing and building teams.

**This level is a starting point.

**Leaders on this level, expect people to listen because they have a title (position).

Understanding My Position

A. Created in The Image of God

(ESV) Genesis 1

26 Then God said, “Let us make man⁴ in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

31 And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

***Question:** Knowing that I am created in the image of God, how should this/does this influence my daily life?*

STAY AWAY

Genesis 2:15-17

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. **16** And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, **17** but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat^d of it you shall surely die.”

DON'T ENTERTAIN

verb

provide (someone) with amusement or enjoyment.

give attention or consideration to (an idea, suggestion, or feeling).

Genesis 3: 1-6

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You^a shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” **2** And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, **3** but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” **4** But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. **5** For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God**, knowing **good** and **evil**.” **6** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one **wise**,^b she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

Question: *In your life, are there clear areas which the Lord has directed you to stay away from? Do you find yourself entertaining possible actions of engaging in behaviors which the Lord has directed you to stay away from?*

What If Life Is Not Going as I Planned?

Jeremiah 18:1

The Potter and the Clay

1The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: **2**“Arise, and go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear^d my words.” **3**So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. **4**And the vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to do.

Romans 8:14

14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons^f of God. **15**For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”

DO NOT RETURN

**** A clear picture (A dog returning to vomit)

Proverbs 26: 11-12

11Like a dog that returns to his vomit
is a fool who repeats his folly.

12Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes?
There is more hope for a fool than for him.

Your Notes:

Wisdom (Book of Proverbs)

- * Linked to Solomon & other wise men.
- * Teaching how to live and act.
- * How to live well before God.
- * Hebrew word (**KHOKHMAH**) translated in English to (**Wisdom**).
- * More than just intellectual understand. Also looks at putting **KHOKHMAH** to work.
- * Fear of the Lord (Understanding I do not determine right and wrong).

Proverbs 1:7

7The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 9:10

10The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Proverbs 24:3

3By wisdom a house is built,
and by understanding it is established;

Proverbs 8:11

11for wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

Psalms 111:10

10The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!

Your Notes:

I Am the True Vine

John 15: 1-5

1“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. **2**Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. **3**Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. **4**Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. **5****I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.**

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