



Attitudes of Success

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1. God is interested in our attitudes *Ephesians 4:22-23;*
Philippians 2:5-7
 - **Attitude:** a mental/emotional preset approach
 - In the Old Testament, 5 attitudes especially generate success

2. The Fear of the LORD: _____ *Proverbs 28:14*
 - **Definition:** taking God seriously enough to obey and stay within boundaries set by Him
 - **Blessings:** God guards and rescues, learn wisdom, avoid much pain, future opens up
 - **Earmarks:** full loyalty, obey, turn from wrong
 - **Opposites:** proud, self-wise, deceptive, resist correction
 - **Damages:** don't flourish, much trouble, hope gone

3. Trust in the LORD: _____ *Jeremiah 17:7*
 - **Definition:** counting on God to keep His word
 - **Blessings:** straight paths, protection, overcome difficulties, vindication
 - **Earmarks:** risk on God, even when it's "hopeless"
 - **Opposites:** trust in me/resources/people, going after my desires (popularity, greed, vengeance)
 - **Damages:** fail, traps, tormenting situations

4. Humility: _____ *Proverbs 22:4*
 - **Definition:** voluntarily giving greater importance and privilege to others
 - **Blessings:** guidance, favor, wisdom, wealth, honor, life, exaltation

- **Earmarks:** deny my superiority, put God first, impartial, submit, honor others above me
- **Opposites:** pride, exalting myself, mocking
- **Damages:** failure, downfall, disgrace

5. Teachability: _____ *Proverbs 16:20*
 - **Teachable:** able and willing to be taught
 - **Blessings:** wisdom, prosperity, honor, longer life
 - **Earmarks:** pays attention, listens to advice or instruction, accepts it, remembers it, puts it into action, heeds correction
 - **Opposites:** self-wise, opinionated, ignores instruction, forgets it, resists it, scorns it
 - **Damages:** troubles, financial loss, disgrace, unfixable "breaking," death

6. Patience: _____ *Proverbs 16:32*
 - **Definition:** steadfast despite opposition, provocation, difficulty, or adversity
 - **Blessings:** right track, strong character, persuasive, harvest, upbeat hope
 - **Earmarks:** temper control, think before speak, endure under strain, push through to completion
 - **Opposites:** pride, anger, haste, rash, giving up
 - **Damages:** miss key steps (fail), damaging decisions, step into traps, hard work with no profit, financial loss, disgrace

Resource: *The Attitudes of Success* by Randy Lanthripe
(available at: LifeShapingResources.com)

Scriptures

Fear of the Lord - *Ps 33:18-19; 111:10; Pro 15:33; 16:6; 23:17-18*
 Trust in the Lord - *Ps 20:7-8; 37:5-6; 40:4; Pro 3:5-6; 29:25; 28:25*
 Humility - *Ps 25:9; Pro 3:34; 11:2; 15:33; 22:4; Matt 23:12*
 Teachability - *Pro 3:12; 15:32; 16:20; 19:16, 20; 29:1*
 Patience - *Pro 19:2; 25:15; Jas 1:2-4, Gal 6:9; Rom 5:3-4*