

God's Three Steps To Success

In successfully leading the Israelites into the Promised Land, Joshua had to obey God's simple instructions. The first step being to "be strong and of good courage" (Joshua 1:6); the second step included continually meditating on the Book of the Law; and finally, he was to do everything it said (Joshua 1:8). As long as Joshua followed these three steps, God promised him "good success." Notice that God's idea of success has little to do with fame, fortune, or knowing the right people.

In the original Hebrew, the phrase, "then you will have good success" (Strong's 7919) means "then you will act wisely." Just as God called Joshua to walk in wisdom, He wants us to "walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise" (Ephesians 5:15). As we take courage in the Lord (John 16:33 NASB), feast on His Word (1 Peter 2:1-2), and obey Him (Romans 6:17), we have a recipe for godly success that's better than anything we could possibly think up on our own.

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## Feeding The Wolf

In 1 Corinthians 9:27, the inspired apostle Paul wrote, "But I keep under my body, and bring It into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." The Holy Spirit's teaching of "self-control" in the life of the apostle Paul can be further illustrated in the following story: An old grandfather counseled his grandson who was angry at a friend who had done him an injustice. "Let me tell you a story. I too, at times have felt a great hate for those who have taken so much with no sorrow for what they do; but hate wears you down and does not hurt your enemy. It is like taking a poison and wishing your enemy would die. I have struggled with these feelings many times."

He continued, "It is as if there are two wolves inside me; one is good and does no harm. He lives in harmony with all those around him and does not take offense when no offense was intended. He will only fight when it is right to so, and in the right way. But...the other wolf... ah! The littlest thing will send him into a fit of anger. He fights everyone, all of the time, for no reason. He cannot think because his anger and hate are so great. It is helpless anger, for his anger will change nothing. Sometimes it is hard to live with these two wolves inside me for both of them try to dominate my spirit."

The boy looked intently into his grandfather's eyes and asked, "Which one wins Grandfather?" The grandfather smiled and quietly said, "The one I feed!"

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These articles seemed appropriate and wise advice for our new graduates this week. Graduate, as you approach this new, more independent phase in your life, our prayer is that you take God's word with you into every decision.

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ANNIVERSARIES: 10th- Drew & Emily Kelley; 19-Ben & Angie Holmes; 20-Mark & Sharon Wright; 27-Hilliard & Orvaline Mann

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

We must hear the word of God. Romans 10:17

We must believe the word of God. Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16

We must repent of our sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

We must confess Christ before men. Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16; I Peter 3:21

We must live faithfully until death. Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2

•THOSE TO SERVE – MAY LIST IN FOYER

(Please check for your assignment and PLEASE contact one of the Deacons if you know you are going to be absent on that date).

COLLEGE GRAD! Congratulations to Garrett Wright! Garrett graduated from UT Martin yesterday with a Bachelors Degree in Engineering and is headed to Franklin to begin his new job! Proud of Garrett and best wishes on this new opportunity! Congratulations to proud parents, Mark and Sharon!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

•**TONIGHT: Reception after services** in the Fellowship Room for our graduates Noah Brasher and Dylan Holt. Everyone join us to congratulate these fine young men.

• May 10th: Graduation; Dylan Holt and Noah Brasher are our graduates this year from WCHS

• May 13th: Mother's Day & 2nd Sunday Fellowship Meal

• June 2rd: Jacob & Allison's Wedding Ceremony will be here at 2:30 p.m.

SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME: Margaret Barlowe, Van Ayer Manor, 640 Hannings Lane, Martin 38327;
Martha Nell Reed, Lakeside Retirement Community, 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie 38201;
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PRAYER LIST Joe Butler has been having trouble with his sugar levels; Tessa Massingale had tonsils out Tuesday^t; Wanda Smith had Shoulder Surgery Tuesday and is recovering at home; Amanda Turner-liver biopsy; Dylan Holt's mom, Alena is having some tests on her heart; Charlie Wachsmuth; Janice Sauls Wade; Charles Foster; Jeanie Brasher is doing well; Kaitlyn & Christopher Dunavan, Leann Tidwell Coleman; Wanda Smith; Kaffie Green; Sybil Hamilton, Jimmy McClain; Tom Aden; Margaret Barlowe; Doris Haskell; Mary Bryant; Harold Hutcherson; Penny Warren; Vicki Murphy (Lexington); Mike Lane; Ruth Bennett, Heather Harris, Chris Bowers; Aaron Sutton

CANCER: Ray Box (Derrick's great uncle); Denise Hodges; Wade Cupples; Roger McCaig; Denise Clemmer; Kenneth Foster; Joe Gordon; Linda Cherry; Jackie Smith; Keith Inman; Lynn Harrison; Barry Barber; Sue Price; Deborah Browning; Rhyann Loos; Hattie Brinkley Berry; Christine Johnson; Jimmy Greene; Lalanie Murphy

(Names normally remain on prayer list for 1 month, unless requested to remain)

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DATES	WEEK OF 05/06	WEEK OF 05/13	WEEK OF 05/20	WEEK OF 27	
PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER	JEAN FORD	JEAN FORD	JEAN FORD	JEAN FORD	
GREET	STEVE AND RITA	STEVE AND RITA	STEVE AND RITA	STEVE AND RITA	
POWERPOINT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	DAVID BRYANT	JOHN HENRY LONG	DALE ADEN	SHERRILL SMITH	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	
SERVE LORD'S SUPPER	BARRY MOORE DALTON MOORE DYLAN HOLT JACOB KEEN	BARRY MOORE DALTON MOORE DYLAN HOLT JACOB KEEN	BARRY MOORE DALTON MOORE DYLAN HOLT JACOB KEEN	BARRY MOORE DALTON MOORE DYLAN HOLT JACOB KEEN	
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M.	JOSHUA BRASHER	JACK LAWRENCE	DANIEL ROGERS	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	MONTE MORRIS	JACOB KEEN	STEVE FOSTER	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	DALE ADEN	MARK WRIGHT	DALE BALLENTINE	DAVID BRYANT	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M.	DANIEL ROGERS	MONTE MORRIS	JACK LAWRENCE	NOAH BRASHER	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	NOAH BRASHER	NICK BRYANT	JACOB KEEN	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	
OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	MAY 02 STEVE FOSTER	MAY 09 DAVID BRYANT	MAY 16 DALE BALLENTINE	MAY 23 DALE BALLENTINE	MAY 30 MARK WRIGHT
LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT
DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY	DANIEL ROGERS	DALE ADEN	DALE BALLENTINE	STEVE FOSTER	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE
CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	JACOB KEEN	JOSHUA BRASHER	NOAH BRASHER	DYLAN HOLT	JACK LAWRENCE