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**“Success is Something  
You Achieve”**

Mark 8:34-35

*If you are succeeding without suffering, someone has suffered before you. If you are suffering without succeeding, someone will succeed after you.*

*Notes:*

“Many people die with their music still in them. Why is this so? Too often it is because they are always getting ready to live. Before they know it, time runs out.”

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

*Notes:*

“Success is getting what you want; happiness is wanting what you get.” —Dale Carnegie

## What is the pathway to success?

- Establish your goals.
- Discover your abilities.
- Seize your opportunities.
- Embrace your responsibilities.
- Overcome your anxieties.
- Broaden your experiences.
- Build your competencies.
- Watch your attitudes.
- Celebrate your victories.

Common Belief: Success is Something  
You \_\_\_\_\_

*Notes:*

Jesus challenges the  
“success is achievement”  
mind-set by suggesting that  
“success is an

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## Mark 8:34-35

*Notes:*

“It is the simple lesson of all history that it has always been the adventurous souls who bade farewell to security and safety who wrote their names on history and who greatly helped the world of men. Unless there were those who had been prepared to take risks, many a medical cure would not exist. Unless there were those who had been prepared to take risks many of the machines which make life easier would never have been invented. Unless there were mothers who were prepared to take risks, no child would ever be born. It is the man who is prepared ‘to bet his life that there is a God’ who in the end finds life.”

—William Barclay

What is \_\_\_\_\_ success?  
Trading your life for God’s favor and things that last forever.

*Notes:*

## **Mark 8:36-37**

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Are you investing in...

- your faith?
- your family?
- freedom?
- forgiveness?
- the future?

*Notes:*

**2 Corinthians 8:9**

**2 Corinthians 5:21**

**2 Corinthians 4:16-18**



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