

Pastor's Weekly Devotional- October 23, 2014

"Learning From Failure"

Failure! A word we wish was not part of our vocabulary. But as human beings we fail from time to time. There is a redeeming quality to failure. If you have failed, IT MEANS THAT YOU TRIED TO DO SOMETHING BUT DID NOT SUCCEED. The point is – not that you failed, but that you tried.

- Einstein failed 10,000 times before he was able to develop the filament for the light bulb.
- The creator of the household cleaning product 409 failed those many times before creating the right formula.

The Apostle Peter was a man of boldness and great faith. But his brash style often caused him to make humiliating mistakes. He wore the label of "miserable failure" more often than being known as Jesus' faithful disciple. How can we forget how he failed miserably when he denied Jesus – not one, but three times? But in the end, he became God's spokesperson at Pentecost.

Now, here are a few thoughts about failure;

- Failure keeps us humble.
- Failure is part of the developmental process.
- Failure is an excellent learning tool.
- God's grace and love are revealed in the person who has failed miserably than in an egotistical, prideful heart.

Here's a closing word: ***The most successful people are those who are good at Plan B after failing miserably at Plan A.***

Let your failures be instructive and remember that God is a God of a Second Chance.

Have a blessed week! See you in church Sunday!
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