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Topic: Understanding the Secrets of Success

Introduction

There is always a trade secret behind every notable breakthrough in life, Job 29: 4. There is nothing great that is not backed by secrets, Deuteronomy 29:29. No man can take another man higher than where his hand can reach, but when the Most High God takes a man higher, he takes him higher than any imagination.

Behind every success story is access to divine secret of God. God's secrets are embedded in His Book (Acts 5:20). The secret of God is for only those that fear God (Psalm 25:14). The secret of success is a kingdom mystery.

The most important step in accessing the mystery of the kingdom of God is to be born again. The next step is to embrace the fear of God as a lifestyle. It is our level of the fear of God that determines the level of our access to the mystery of the Kingdom. What differentiates one believer from another is the access to the secret, Gen 13: 14-15. Our insight determines our limit.

In life, every success story is traceable to some kinds of coaches and coaching. There is always the place of the coach in the quest to becoming successful in life. Though a good coach is essential, he never makes a star of any sportsman. It is the quality engagement and response of each sportsman to the instructions that brings out the star in him.

Success is neither transferable nor inherited. If you do not want to end up a liability tomorrow, you have to take responsibility today. Every man's success is as a result of his own input. It takes high level of discipline for anyone to be distinguished in life.

What is Discipline?

Discipline is operating as demanded and not as convenient. It is giving your assignment all it takes to deliver it, Daniel 1:8. Outstanding success is a product of high-level discipline, 1Corinthians 10:23, 1Corinthians 9:24-26. It takes self-discipline to maintain dignity. It takes discipline to go up and stay up. Discipline is the ladder of destiny.

Discipline is possessing a sense of mission in the pursuit of any given task. There must be a definite decision to programme our lives.

Discipline is also making the most of one's life. Anything spent is gone; it is what is invested that counts for future.

Discipline is a vital price for greatness (1Corinthians 6:12). Self-discipline is also seen as operating without supervision.

Indiscipline has grounded many people in life.

How a student can be successful:

1. Prompt attendance of lectures.
2. Highly structured study life. Anything not budgeted will be squandered.
3. A right choice of association. A highly disciplined person is choosy. Nobody with careless associations does anything tangible in life.
4. Delightful compliance with rules and regulations.
5. Respect for higher authorities (Romans 13:1). Every man will always have higher power than his own.

Conclusion

One of the vital proofs of spirituality is self-disciplined. Every child of God is a word-disciplined individual.