

Wholeness Series | When the Road Gets Tough | Pastor Zach Prosser

THOSE IN THE BIBLE WHO HAD GREAT SUCCESSES FOLLOWED BY GREAT FAILURES

1. Adam & Eve

- a. The Sin of Humanity Garden to the Grave
- b. Redeemed: Seth Righteous lineage

2. Elijah (1 Kings 18-19)

- a. Mt. Carmel Victory
- b. 450 prophets of Baal & 400 prophets of Asherah
- c. Depression, fatigue, not eating, suicidal, lost sight of his calling
- d. Redeemed: The anointing of Elisha

3. David

- a. Saul has slain his thousands, David his tens of thousands
- b. Bathsheba & Uriah 2 Samuel 11-12
- c. Redeemed: She had a son Solomon and the Lord loved him

4. Joseph

- a. Having dreams & favor
- b. The Family Secret of a Lifetime
- c. Overseer of Potiphar's house (a captain of Pharoah's army)
- d. Back to Prison
- e. Redeemed: Sons: Manasseh For God has made me forget all my toil and all my father's house & Ephraim: For God has caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction

5. Samson

- a. Caught 300 foxes and used them to light the Philistine wheat and vineyards on fire
- b. Kills 1,000 Philistines with the jawbone of a donkey
- c. Delilah's Deception
- d. Redeemed: Hair grows... Lord Remember Me...Strengthen me...3,000 killed

Repent and Turn to God

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Acts 3:19

Repent and turn to God so that your sins may be blotted out

Take Care of Yourself

Mark 6:32

And they went away in the boat to a solitary place by themselves.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Be where God has called you to be regardless of the cost

2 Timothy 4:5

But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, full your ministry.

Philippians 2:13

For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.

Be watchful of the little things (sins, offenses, issues)

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong. And do everything with love.

1 Peter 5:8-9

Stay alert! Watch out for your enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.

Remember God who gives you Strength

Isaiah 41:10

Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.

Psalm 46:1-3

God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. ² So we will not fear when earthquakes come and the mountains crumble into the sea. ³ Let the oceans roar and foam. Let the mountains tremble as the waters surge!