SERMON: UNLIMITED POTENTIAL

Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Introduction

Jesus came that we might have life and that we might have life more abundantly. Jesus wants us to be successful. He wants us to apply the same values given to Joshua and we will have "good success." Good success brings joy, peace, and contentment. "Bad success" gives pleasure and popularity for a short while and then ends in turmoil and destruction.

We have unlimited potential. Potential is just a possibility. We must make these possibilities a reality. It can be done – you have already done it- by obeying God, praying daily, and studying hard. The sky is not the limit-you can soar well beyond the sky.

Despite the negative things around you, you must keep a positive attitude. A positive attitude is not arrogance. Arrogance says, "I can do it all by myself." A positive attitude says, "With God's help I can achieve anything I set my mind to as long as it is within the will and the ways of Almighty God."

We are proud of all of those who have excelled academically. This goes double for those who are graduating from high school and college. For those who did not achieve your goals this time, I say, "Keep hope alive. Don't give up! Try harder and smarter next time."

Let me just give you a few pointers so, as the old folks used to say, "You will keep on keeping on." You are doing great. We are proud of you.

Exposition

1. Learn From The Amazon And The Nile Rivers.

(They Are Huge Because Tributaries Pour Into Them.)
(Let Others Pour Positive Things Into Your Life.)
(When You Read You Are Allowing People From Other Eras And Other Cultures To Pour Into Your Life.)

2. Learn From The Swans.

The Swans Only Come To Shore When Necessary.

(In The Water Swans Are The Most Graceful Of All Birds.) (On Land Swans Waddle Worse Than A Duck.) (In Fact, A Swan Is Really A High Class Duck.) (Maximize Your Strengths- Manage Your Weaknesses.)

3. Learn From the Honey Bees.

(They Get Nectar From Flowers And Mix It With Their Own Enzymes And Produce Sweet Honey.)

(Nectar Alone Is Not Honey-Enzymes Alone Is Not Honey, (The Mixture Is Honey.)

4. Learn From a Rubber Ball.

(The Harder You Throw It To The Ground The Higher Is Bounces.) (Make Stumbling Blocks Your Stepping Stones.)

Closing Thoughts

We can do all things through the power that Christ provides. We must utilize that blood-bought, Holy Ghost power. Our own will power is not sufficient. Exchange your will power for God's power. Exchange your weakness for God's strength. Exchange your guilt for God's forgiveness. God is ready, willing, and able to give you the power to reach you goals and give you the desires of your heart. Give God Glory! Give God All The Glory.

Related Scripture

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