Using New Projects to Overcome Failures

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Thursday night Message

Medicate your failure and pain suffered in the service of others by new challenges and new goals. Sometimes the new things will be forced upon you and other times you will be free to choose them. Either way, walk and embrace new things, as that is the way to nullify the past.

Had this congress been held just 5 weeks ago, this instruction would have been totally different. I must say that in these last 5 weeks or so through the pain of failures and disappointments, some of my own making, most the making of others that affected my ministry, my insights are deeper and I trust more beneficial to the rest of you.

(Relate briefly how YHWH moved us to Broward for a new and exciting refreshing and joy, or we would have become slaves to others who had begun to devour us)

All leaders will fail at some point. Most leaders will fail many times in many ways and some leaders will develop track records of failing. Since we all fail at certain times and in certain projects and assignments for YHWH, the best way according to Scripture and according to my own hard learned experience is to START FRESH in a new project, assignment, challenge, or work.

- The alternatives are poor. We can dwell on our failures as leaders, which will paralyze us and bind us to a past that we cannot change. That's exactly what s.a.tan wants you to spend your time doing.
- On the other hand, we can dwell on future promises and future hopes and aspirations that cannot be attained in the here and now. Doing this too often tends to turn a competent leader into more of a planner, or dreamer. Many leaders spend so much time dreaming, that they never accomplish anything for YHWH right now. So neither dreaming nor moping is the answer. Of course, the future can be touched by prayer and the past can be erased by prayer which gives us a heavenly perspective on all we say and do in the ministry.

For answers on how to move forward in ministry even after embarrassing failures, let's look at the revealed inerent Word of Yahweh. Let's look at Beresheeth 13:1-18. Explain. Abraham moved on and out to a new land. A place to get away from his past; his family, past failures of lying and deceit, in Mitzrayim. He moved out and onward not looking back looking to seperate himself from failure in Egypt and strife within the family of YHWH. We like Abraham, overcome failure by looking for a new land and a new direction for the moment we are in! Neither the future nor anything based on the past. Abraham made a clean break from his situation and in my view if you're going to succeed in ministry and go from glory to glory bearing fruit along the way; you must allow YHWH to move you out and away from past or recent failure. This is not running from failure, but learning your lessons and applying those lessons, not in the same sheepfold, or territory but a new place, or season as YHWH is the author of new beginnings. In other words, if you want the freshness of kingdom fruit, you are going to have to separate from someone, or something!!!!!!!!

Torah speaks much of all the moadim using the interesting phrase a "NEW offering," or a NEW grain offering. YHWH wants service to Him to be new and fresh all the time. Bamidbar/Number 28:26 for example. NEW MOONS-Rosh Chodashim are designed to give you a new start each month! Use them to re-evaluate your position in ministry monthly! Not once every 20 years, where you grow callous, aloof and stale. A new wife Devarim24:5, is said to bring rejuvenation. Second Shmuel 6:2 speaks of the Ark of the Covenant being <u>carried on a new cart</u> symbolic of His presence moving to a new location for you and your calling. Yeshayahu/Isaiah 42:8-10, 43:19, 48:6-7, 62:2, 65:8. Read.....

Moshiach was born to us due to a NEW thing; <u>YHWH did this NEW thing in Yirmeyahu/Jeremiah 31:22 and is what</u> <u>allowed mankind to be saved and renewed by regeneration of the Ruach!</u> We in the ministry are in constant need of renewal and regeneration by the Ruach. <u>Ezekiel 18:31</u> and Ezekiel 36 speak much of YHWH giving us a new ruach and heart, <u>but it also call on us to give ourselves a new ruach, meaning a new joy and purpose in our calling</u>. You may have to make major adjustments, or downsize, or relocation, or change your stated vision; but in the end, you will be overcoming the bondage of failure with an invigoration from on high. Ezekiel 47:12 speaks of "new fruit according to each month." Is your ministry walking in new things monthly? Not once in a lifetime! Allow your ministry mountains of

failure to be removed by the dropping down of new wine into new wineskins. The songs we sing to YHWH are to indicate new things and new beginnings that He has done in us and through our lives. Echah 3:23 His mercies are new every morning; so why should His calling be stale and renewed once a year?

<u>Caution</u>-Quitting will not overcome failure, but will lead to even more failure!!!!! Quitting is in and of itself a great failure; it is a failure of such magnitude that many who quit the ministry, never return to it again! If you quit the race how do you expect Yahshua to meet you at the finish line, or to refresh you as only soldiers and warriors for the kingdom need refreshing. Quitters need a nursing home!

Close Mattityahu/Matthew 9: 16-17

16 No man puts a piece of new cloth on an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up takes from the garment, and the tear is made worse.

Yahshua desires to give you fresh garments and fresh starts in your ministry. If you take the fresh starts, sometimes daily fresh starts and try to apply it to your current ministry, or the current way you conduct ministry, the new project, or calling left in the current season of failures, will only make the situation worse. <u>A new piece of the puzzle, must be put or fit into a totally differ garment</u>. Are you willing to launch out, or just willing to play it safe and try to fit a new direction into an old place, old time and old calling. If so you will not be able to overcome failures in the ministry the way YHWH desires. A stale leader swimming in ongoing failure is of no use to his flock. You failed in the past, but you will not fail now, if you move with the cloud!

17 Neither do men put new wine into old wineskins: <u>lest the wineskins break, and the wine runs out, and the wineskins perish: but they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.</u>

Do you truly want to thrive and survive in the ministry? Then here's the COMMAND; new wine must be put into new wineskins, so the new wine can be preserved and so that your sanity can also be preserved. Expect and seize new challenges to move you from your comfort zone, remembering that any new wine that YHWH graces you with, must be put into new wineskins; meaning that often the people, <u>or vessels to whom you now minister may not be the wineskin</u> that can hold the new things. You may have to look for new students and new members who can hold new wine!!

I cannot emphasize this enough. Some elders you have cannot go further with you, as they have become leaky vessels that have burst in their refusal to hold any new wine that Yahshua is giving you. Be ready to change and DISS appoint elders, if they inhibit your flow into the new things designed by YHWH to overcome failure! Old wineskin elders and members need to be exchanged, if they refuse to hold the new things that YHWH is doing in your life. You are not married to them, but to Yahshua! Remember Abraham and Lot. How did Abraham thrive and arrive? SEPARATION, not for division, but for Yahshua's purpose in your life to be revealed!

YHWH is showing you your shortcomings. So now, what should you do? Quit the ministry because of discouragement and past failures and others hatred towards you? No. Look for new wineskins and new projects to hold the new wine that YHWH desires to pour into you. Nullify your past failures by expecting future successes in Yahshua.

Amos 9:13 <u>Behold, the days come</u>, says הוה, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that sows zera; <u>and the mountains shall drip with sweet wine</u>, and all the hills shall melt.

If you allow YHWH to move you always and according to His will the hills and mountains of your past failures will melt away with new sweet wine into new wineskins.

The sweetness of YHWH's new sweet wine of success will erase the bitter taste of past hurts and failures.