



SLIPPERY SLOPS IN SUCCESSFUL INDEPENDENCE TO DEPENDENCY

*"But everyone who hears these words of mine and **does not put them into practice** is like a **foolish man** who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."*
Matthew 7:26-27

*"But you, man of God, **flee from all this**, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. **Fight the good fight** of the faith. **Take hold** of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. **1 Timothy 6: 11-12***

Flooding / mudslides from hurricanes and typhoons has become a common appearance worldwide on the news that has devastated entire cities and states. The success of a nation's **independence in economy and growth** carries no weight in God's economy of success. In His day planner, He sweeps and levels across an entire city or nation what took hundreds of years to build. He makes it clear that none of **man's power or intellect built on sand** can resist its force. Through mudslides or floods God brings us all together united not in **INDEPENDENCE, BUT TOTAL DEPENDENCY ON HIM.**

The greater our dependency on Him as a doer of His Word, creates our sufficiency in Him.

DETENTION CENTER DEPENDENCY

I grew up in Hardwick Baptist Church always there every Sunday and Wednesday – home for me. Looking back, I can't really remember a time where I turned away from God. But finding myself being accused of something that I would never do sitting in a cold cell made me wonder where I went wrong.

I realized I couldn't remember the last time I had prayed. That all changed, now closer to God now more than ever. Never in my life did I think it would take incarceration to find God again. First time here and now 7 months locked up, I opened up my Bible to a **"random page"** reading the first verse that caught my eye. Jeremiah 1:19 **"They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you for I am with you says the Lord to deliver you."**

Even though it seems like the world is against me, I know that they can't bring me down because God is with me. He continues to comfort me during these long days away from family. He will return me because I have a renewed life in God, closer to Him now than I have ever been.
Ernest

My testimony is big realizing I had bad spirits in my life. It was literally destroying myself and my family. I lost my daughter during 2 months period. Honestly it's really complicated everything because it made me realize that I was **100% away FROM GOD!**

I asked him to change me and make me a new person. That pain was too big for me to handle making me come to God because I almost harmed my family.

Now I don't feel independent truly because I am so dependent on God. He is the only one who has the access to my heart. I want Him to use me to repair mistakes. I'm honestly afraid that I might lose salvation from Jesus. I want Him to hear me.

My life before was only things from the world and without thinking of having fear from God. But now that I have the opportunity to know more about Him, I will stay in His Word. God willing I have a big testimony when I get out that the world can believe He is REAL.

Anonymous

DEPENDING ON GOD'S MIRACLE MARRIAGE

I moved to Atlanta in Jan. 2018 with my girlfriend; with a decision to start a business with veteran friend of mine in the last 6 months. Nothing has gone as planned – nothing prospered. Friendships tarnished when he became a car salesman.

I always had Christ as my Savior and Lord but had turned away from Him. But He never turned away from me!

I found FBC Atlanta and started watching Sunday service on TV. This was a good start but that spiritual seed planted inside me required more Light to grow.

That led to my attendance to Sunday Services, yet **something was still not right**. I became conscious of my sins and repented and studying the Bible and prayer faithfully. I prayed for an answer to my purpose as not to waste God's given talents. **Still no answer.**

Upon further examination and study of the Bible it became clear living with my girlfriend unmarried was the barrier keeping me from my blessings. I read Scriptures on marriage and prayed which led me to the courthouse to marry my girlfriend of 2 years.

Although I knew this was the will of God, I was still weak in faith and questioned whether I was making the right decision. On the day of the courthouse, the devil attempted to discourage us by messing up my printer I needed to print important documents to get married.

Walking through security check, a woman subtly whispered to us **"DON'T DO IT!"** As a security guard directed us to the marriage office, Satan sent two voices to ruin this holy plan, but God Almighty sent 3 to strengthen and fulfill His plan.

1. My best friend, thinking he would try to talk me out of it, expressed his happiness for us and affirmed we were doing the right thing.

2. The security guard responded **"Don't listen to her. You're doing the right thing no matter what she said to you."**

3. Then to top it off while we were looking for forms, David comes out of nowhere and says **"You know it's a setup right?"** I knew at that moment what he meant. All God's righteous messages that led to this holy occasion was all setup by our Creator. David read Scripture on marriage and love confirmed **"we were making the right decision"**.

Although we had already read those same Scriptures, we took comfort in hearing God tell us that **"we were doing the right thing"**, which we DID!

Also, David offered to mentor me in sharing the Word of God so I can make value of my time, which I prayed for many times prior to this. **Only now God chose to answer my prayer since I did not run from His calling and plan correcting my sinful lifestyle.** I now work with David learning how to preach the Gospel and build my faith. **God is so GOOD!**
Rudv Godv



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REMEMBER – The court hall ministry is **virtually non-existent anywhere in the world** to our knowledge. It reveals this priesthood of believers in our court system is matching perfectly what is happening in the court throne room of heaven. But to communicate this with churches in Metro Atlanta is a massive life long undertaking.

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