

Today's Theme

“Where's My Lean”

Series Title

“Success God's Style” Part 5

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Strength *Leads* To Courage

Josh 1:6 Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

The Secret Sauce To: Making Strong & Courageous Real

1. Don't *find* S&C on our own.

2 Cor 12:8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. 9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. 10 That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2. Accept & use God's Word as *intended*.

Prov 3:1 My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, 2 for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity. 2 Tim 3:14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, 15 and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

3. Do the *Big 3* more - *Trust, Worship & Pray*.

Prov 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart . . .
Exodus 8:1 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go to Pharaoh and say to him, ‘This is what the Lord says: Let my people go, so that they may worship me.
1 Thess 5:16 Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

4. Live *empowered* by The Holy Spirit.

Rom 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
2 Cor 3:12 Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold.

How Do I Do That?

(1) *Welcome Jesus into your Life (Lean on Him)*.

Mark 1:17 “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 11:28 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

(2) *Follow principles & teaching of Jesus (Lean)*.

John 15:5 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

Jn 15:14 You are my friends if you do what I command.
John 14:23 Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

(3) *Choose Jesus as my priority in life (The lean)*.

Matt 6:32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.
33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.
1 Cor 16:13 Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.