

Failure

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I. Introduction.

A. Failure is a part of the Christian life. What sets some apart is their response.

II. Things to encourage those who have failed. (Jeremiah 18)

A. God is the potter who is at work in your life constructively. (Isaiah 38:16)

B. God started the world, he keeps it running and he will shut it down. (Job 23:10)

C. We have a choice.

1. The Devil is a potter too. We choose which potter will work on us.
2. We must be saved, have fellowship with God and be in submission to God in order to have him work on us. (Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 12:1-2)

III. Failure.

A. If we fail, we are in good company. (Exodus 4:14)

B. Response.

1. Do not fear it and do not fear it after you have failed.
2. Keep coming back to the altar.
3. Keep moving.

Application questions

1. What failures discourage you the most?

2. Who are some well known biblical characters whom God used who had major failures?

3. How would you encourage a fellow believer to respond to failure? Explain.
