

Your Eph. 2:10 Version of Success

“Oh, you poor thing,” my friend’s email read. “I’m worried about you. You’re burning the candle at both ends. You must take lots of vitamins. Are you getting enough sleep?”

I grinned when I read that. Although Sundays I relish in a full day of rest, from Mondays to Saturdays my days are full.

Confession Time

When I was sighted, I was even busier—with finding ways to fill a nagging void in my heart. With coveting others’ accomplishments. With efforts to cover up insecurities. And with futile efforts to catch the wind called success.

But my abilities weren’t enough. My work didn’t measure up, and all that work to find happiness and success proved feeble.

All changed when I lost my sight and God replaced it with 20/20 spiritual vision.

Then I saw a sweet revelation: Life is not what we cannot do because of circumstances out of our control. Success comes when we recognize what we can do with God has given us.

He gave all of us the same 24 hours a day. Sighted or not, we can accomplish enough because we’re God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (see Eph. 2:10).

And to my delight, He had prepared plenty for me. Sometimes, my problem is choosing which I love the most—writing sassy chapters for my new book, traveling to speaking engagements, writing blogs like this one. Working on my personal- success-coaching or hosting radio shows. Or is it my work as a Spanish interpreter?

Is This Busyness Too Much for a Blind Person?

It would be for me if I thought for a minute that it was my abilities that sustained my schedule. But it's His hand that leads, guides and provides. In Proverbs 16:3 (NASB), He says, "Commit your works to the Lord, and your plans will be established."

Rather than commit to find success, we commit each task to the Lord. When God establishes our plans, joy dances into our success. Gratitude fuels our passion. His power feeds our energy. Our wisdom is at work, and our confidence grows.

With that confidence, no matter how heavy our load becomes, we declare: "You chart the path ahead of me and tell me where to stop and rest" (Ps. 139:3, TLB).

Let's Pray

Father, I thank you that when I allow You to chart my path, design my plans and define my steps, my heart is calm and my days find peace. In Jesus' name, amen.

Who charts your path to success? What path to success have you taken lately? {eo}

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