

Message Study Guide

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Warming up

1. When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?.

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. How would you define success?

3. What's the difference between being busy and being effective?
 - a. What do you think about TD Jake's quote, "We have traded effectiveness for busyness." Agree or disagree? Why?

4. Please read John 15:1-17. According to this verse, please answer the following questions...
 - a. - Who is the vine?

 - b. - Who is the gardener?

 - c. - Who is the branch?

 - d. - What's the job of the branch?

 - e. - What's the goal of the branch?

 - f. - What's the difference between "fruit" and success?

 - g. - According to John 15, what is success?

5. Please read Genesis 6:6-8. What is the favor of God?

- a. Compare with Genesis 39:2-3. Why was Joseph successful?
 - b. How was this success different from what the world might define success?
 - c. Do you chase after the favor of God?
6. According to Psalm 37:4, what is our part and what is God's part?
- a. What does "delight" mean?

Application

Below are some key points to take away from this study. Take time to discuss the points and pray together:

- You have to make a choice about what type of success you want. One success has temporal benefit, another success has eternal benefit.
- Success in God's eyes is not about how much you can do on your own. It's about how little you can do without God's Son.
- God's waiting for you to lean on Him more than your boss.
- He waiting for you to discover who is God.