

FEAR NOT

'Overcoming My Fear of Failure'

Scripture reference: Matthew 25:24-27

²⁴ He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' ²⁶ But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest.'

Overcoming my fear:

1. RETHINK your UNDERSTANDING of failure.
 - It does not DISCRIMINATE Romans 3:23; James 3:2
 - It does not DESTROY Proverbs 24:16a; Romans 8:28
 - It does not DEFINE Psalm 139:14; John 1:12

2. REFOCUS your PERSPECTIVE on failing.
 - It's more about the MASTER than ME.
*"so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground."
Matthew 25:25*
 - The PERSON of Jesus is bigger than the PROBLEM of fear.
"You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed?" Matthew 25:26
 - The REWARD outweighs the RISK.
*"Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master."
Matthew 25:23*