



What you need to do your best! – Part II

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God wants our best!

Genesis 4:1-8 (Contemporary English Version)

1Adam and Eve had a son. Then Eve said, "I'll name him Cain because I got him with the help of the LORD." 2Later she had another son and named him Abel. Abel became a sheep farmer, but Cain farmed the land. 3One day, Cain gave part of his harvest to the LORD, 4and Abel also gave an offering to the LORD. He killed the first-born lamb from one of his sheep and gave the LORD the best parts of it. The LORD was pleased with Abel and his offering, 5but not with Cain and his offering. This made Cain so angry that he could not hide his feelings.

6The LORD said to Cain: What's wrong with you? Why do you have such an angry look on your face? 7If you had done the right thing, you would be smiling. But you did the wrong thing, and now sin is waiting to attack you like a lion. Sin wants to destroy you, but don't let it! 8Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let's go for a walk." And when they were out in a field, Cain killed him.

Doing your best by faith you need:

- anger
- associations
- agreement
- adversity
- appearance
- ability (you need to recognize your abilities)
- assignment
- accountability
- aging
- attitude
- angels
- anointing



Doing your best by faith you need: anger

- Anger is simply passion requiring an appropriate focus.

Ephesians 4:26 (The Message)

26-27 Go ahead and be angry. You do well to be angry—but don't use your anger as fuel for revenge. And don't stay angry. Don't go to bed angry. Don't give the Devil that kind of foothold in your life.

Doing your best by faith you need: associations

- Those who do not increase you will inevitably decrease you.

Proverbs 13:20 (New International Version)

20 He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.

1 Corinthians 15:33 (Amplified Bible)

33 Do not be so deceived and misled! Evil companionships (communion, associations) corrupt and deprave good manners and morals and character.

Doing your best by faith you need: agreement

- Those who understand your pain will understand your goals and values.

Amos 3:3 (New Living Translation)

3 Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction?

Matthew 18:19 (New Living Translation)

19 "I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you.

Doing your best by faith you need: adversity

- Warfare always surrounds the birth of a miracle.

Proverbs 24:10 (Amplified Bible)

10 If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Proverbs 24:10 (The Message)

10 If you fall to pieces in a crisis, there wasn't much to you in the first place.



Doing your best by faith you need: appearance

- Package yourself for where you are going instead of where you have been.

1 Samuel 16:7 (Amplified Bible)

7But the Lord said to Samuel, Look not on his appearance or at the height of his stature, for I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees; **for man looks on the outward appearance**, but the Lord looks on the heart.

Doing your best by faith you need: ability

- Your significance is not in your similarity to another, but in your point of difference from another.

Philippians 4:13 (Amplified Bible)

13I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency].

1 John 4:4 (Contemporary English Version)

4Children, you belong to God, and you have defeated these enemies. God's Spirit is in you and is more powerful than the one that is in the world.

Doing your best by faith you need: assignment

- Your assignment on earth is simply the problem God created you to solve.

Proverbs 18:16 (New King James Version)

16 A man's gift makes room for him, And brings him before great men.

Doing your best by faith you need: accountability

- The one who creates your provisions is authorized to require accountability for it.

Romans 14:12 (New King James Version)

12 So then each of us shall give account of himself to God.



Doing your best by faith you need: aging

- A life of no regrets is a life of no discoveries.

Psalm 37:25 (New King James Version)

25 I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread.

Psalm 92:14-15 (Amplified Bible)

14[Growing in grace] they shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be full of sap [of spiritual vitality] and [rich in the] verdure [of trust, love, and contentment]. 15[They are living memorials] to show that the Lord is upright and faithful to His promises; He is my Rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

Doing your best by faith you need: attitude

- Your attitude controls your atmosphere.

Matthew 12:34-35 (New International Version)

34You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. 35The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him.

Proverbs 15:13 (The Message)

13 A cheerful heart brings a smile to your face; a sad heart makes it hard to get through the day.

Doing your best by faith you need: angels

- Everything you see was created by something you don't see.

Psalm 34:7 (The Message)

7 God's angel sets up a circle of protection around us while we pray.

Hebrews 13:2 (New Living Translation)

2 Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!



Doing your best by faith you need: **anointing**

- The anointing you respect is the anointing that increases in your life.

Psalm 45:7 (New Living Translation)

7 You love justice and hate evil. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you, pouring out the oil of joy on you more than on anyone else.

Isaiah 10:27 (King James Version)

27 And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.