

Part 2: God Wants You to Succeed

Series: God's Steps for a Successful Church

1. **T** _____ in God's wonderful plan for your life.
For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. – Jeremiah 29:11

2. **B** _____ your life on Jesus, the Rock.
*"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet **it did not fall**, because it had its **foundation** on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a **foolish** man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it **fell** with a **great crash**." – Matthew 7:24-27*

3. Do not build our lives on things that are **S** _____, such as:
*By faith Moses, when he had **grown up**, refused to **be known** as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He **chose** to be mistreated along with the **people of God** rather than to **enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin**. He regarded **disgrace** for the **sake of Christ** as of **greater value** than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking **ahead to his reward**. By **faith** he **left** Egypt, not **fearing** the king's anger; he **persevered** because he saw him who is invisible. – Hebrews 11:24*

"I live before the audience of One-before others I have nothing to gain, nothing to lose, nothing to prove." – Os Guinness

4. No **P** _____ no **G** _____. I must be ready to endure temporary pain for long term gain.
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 - a) No Fear. Which is greater, my fear of man or my desire to please God?

5. **P** _____: staying the course when others would give up.
By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible.
 - a) This is not **S** _____.
 - b) **F** _____ in the invisible.
 - c) **R** _____.

Answers:

Trust; 2. Build; 3. Shifting and Unstable; 4. Pain, Gain; 5. Perseverance; a) Stubbornness, b) Faith; c) Reward