

SUCCESS!

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Here is a synopsis of a great message!

Don't trade what you want most for what you want at the moment! If you do, you will fail. Here are three questions that will determine your success or failure.

1. Can people **TRUST** me to do my best?

Best – means excellent or the highest degree

Trust – means have confidence in; to commit something to another's care.

- Are people able to have confidence that you will perform in an excellent way all the time?
- Are people able to trust you with their property?
- What you choose to become, you are already becoming!

2. Am I **COMMITTED** to the task at hand?

Are you disciplined?

Discipline – means to follow

- **Do** what has to be done.
- **When** it has to be done.
- **As well as** it can be done.
- Do it that way **all the time!**

There is no such thing as life "in between". **You are either in or out! Either you are committed or not!**

3. Do I **CARE** about other people and show it?

- Are you there to **lift up** your friends, parents, siblings, and others when they are having a bad day?
- Or, are you the "I" person? Is everything about you?

If the answer to these three questions is yes, there is no way you can fail! The reason most people fail instead of succeeding is that they trade what they want most for what they want at the moment.

- "A man's **heart plans** his way, **BUT** the **LORD directs** his steps." – Proverbs 16:9
 - I **will prepare**, and my time **will come!**
- You have never failed when you never give up.
- When you give up, then you have failed.
- The only people who fail are those we do not try.

SUCCESS means you can be **trusted**; you are **committed**; you show you **care**.