

Pastor's Weekly Devotional - February 14th, 2019
"The Potential in You"

Everything in life was created with potential. In every seed there is a tree...in every bird a flock...in every fish a school...in every cow a herd...in every boy a man...in every girl a woman...in every nation a generation.

Scientists in the field of human potential have estimated that we use as little as ten percent of our abilities. Ninety percent of our capabilities lie dormant, hidden and untapped. Nevertheless, we are responsible for the potential stored within us. Do not allow what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.

You are not a failure after trying and failing. You are a failure if you have never tried doing anything. Potential is not what you have done, but what you are yet able to do. In essence, what you see is not all there. What you do not see, have not done – that's potential. Not what you are, but what you could become.

I recently read the story about an old sculptor passing a great plantation house. He observed some workers felling a tree. He asked what they were going to do with the discarded stumps of wood. The owner replied, "These are good for nothing. I have no use for this junk." The sculptor begged for a piece of the "junk" wood. He took it home. Attacking the junk wood with a hammer and chisel, he sculptured a beautiful bird. The owner saw junk wood but the sculptor saw a bird in the junk.

Be careful, therefore, that your potential remains trapped within you. Don't settle for what you have. Never accept success as a lifestyle – it is but a phase. Never accept an accomplishment as the end – it is the beginning of a process yet to unfold. Because God has made you, there are many selves within yourself that lie dormant, untapped and unused. God is always looking for what is not yet visible in you. So, go for it! With God's help, go beyond the limitations of your beliefs. The Bible says: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Have a blessed week. See you in church Sunday.

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