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He testified concerning him, “I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart. He will do everything I want him to do.” *(Acts 13:22)*

- ✓ motive ... after God’s own **heart**
 - **desire** and **humility**

For when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his fathers ... (*Acts 13:36*)

- ✓ resolve ... serve God's **purpose**
 - **submission** and **service**

WORDLY SUCCESS ... money,
pleasure, power, influence, etc.

None of these are suggested
by God as worthwhile goals or
impressive achievements.

God does bless some individuals with great fame, fortune, etc.

Since these are dangerous blessings (*Prov. 30:8-9, 1 Tim. 6:9-11*), God warns those who have them not to consider them **overly significant** (*Matt. 6:32, 1 Tim. 6:17-19*)

To SOLOMON God said, “I give you riches and honor because you asked only for wisdom”. (*1 Kings 3:7-14*)

POINT: Wealth, power, or independence **did not mean** Solomon was successful in God’s eyes. But his desire to “distinguish right from wrong” was very significant to God.

GOD'S DEFINITION of success does not even take into account whether a person is educated, sophisticated, or celebrated.

Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything, and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that **you will receive** an inheritance for the Lord as a **reward**. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. *(Col. 3:22-24)*

God will bless, use, and reward many people who are never spotlighted or headlined. Often **anonymous**, often **behind** the **scenes**. But in God's eyes they are successful.

Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, was leading Israel at the time. (*Judges 4:4*)

LAPIDOTH

- He participated on a team.
- What he did enabled Deborah to do what she did.

If you are married, encourage your partner to follow God's leading. **Assist** and **support** them how ever you can.

If you are not a leader, get behind a leader who you believe is called by God to accomplish something, and **help** them. If this is your role, God considers you as successful as anyone in leadership.

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