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Seven Steps to Victory

SEVEN STEPS TO VICTORY

What Have You Learned to Live With?

One of the greatest dangers in the Christian life isn't failure—it's settling. You may not realize it, but you can get used to almost anything—even a life that falls far short of what God has for you. You can adjust to disappointment, limitation, frustration, sickness, discouragement, or simply being average until you no longer expect anything different.

That is exactly what happened to the children of Israel. After 40 years in the wilderness, Moses stood before a generation that had grown up with wilderness living. They knew manna, tents, desert conditions, and supernatural provision. But what they didn't know was the Promised Land. Then God gave Moses a simple command:

Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle.

Deuteronomy 2:24

There are seven things in that one verse, and the first one is simply this: **rise up**. That may sound insignificant, but it's really important. Before you can possess anything God has for you, you have to get up from where you are. You have to become unwilling to spend your life adjusting to the wilderness.

The Giants Were Real. So Was God.

To give a little background, 40 years earlier, Israel had already seen what God had promised them. Moses sent twelve spies into the land, and they came back carrying its fruit and admitting that it was a land flowing with milk and honey. But ten of them focused on the walled cities and the giants and convinced the people they could not take the land.

Israel believed the evil report instead of believing God, and they refused to go in and fight. That unbelief cost them 40 years in the wilderness, until the generation that rebelled had died off. Now Moses was speaking to a new generation—people who had grown up in the wilderness and had never seen the Promised Land. And God was telling them, **rise up**—to not repeat the unbelief of the generation before them. They had stayed in the wilderness long enough. It was time to go forward and possess what He had given them.

Don't Confuse the Familiar with God's Will

The Israelites had a reason to be comfortable with their circumstances. Their clothes and shoes didn't wear out. They didn't have to plow or grow crops because manna came down from heaven. They had water provided out of a rock. They had shade from a cloud by day and warmth from a fire by night. God had miraculously sustained them. It was not the Promised Land, but it was familiar. And that can be a powerful trap.

I have been in ministry for nearly 60 years, and I can tell you that people get to where they are complacent and just take the path of least resistance. They get used to things. They look around, see how everybody else is living, and decide that it's probably how they're supposed to live too. You can be born into a wilderness and never realize there is anything beyond it.

These Israelites had never seen the Promised Land. Many of them had been born in the wilderness. Others were so young when the rebellion happened that they barely remembered anything else. Their entire experience had been shaped by wilderness living. That is why the command to **rise up** was so significant.

God was basically telling them, "You've stayed here long enough. There is something more."

I believe the same thing can happen to us. We can grow so accustomed to our circumstances that we begin to embrace them instead of confronting them. We can call it contentment, but it's really adjustment.

God has never made a dud. He has never made any of us to just be a placeholder and do nothing. Every one of us is chosen by God, and there is something He wants us to accomplish.

When Dissatisfaction Is a Good Thing

There's a dissatisfaction that comes from the devil, and there is a **holy dissatisfaction** that God can use to lead you forward. Sometimes you need to get sick and tired of being sick and tired.

Psalm 37:4 says to delight yourself in the Lord and He'll give you the desires of your heart. That doesn't mean God will give you anything you want. It means that when you delight yourself in the Lord, He puts His desires in your heart. Sometimes that desire begins as a holy dissatisfaction with where you are.

I've seen this in my own life. When I was pastoring my first church in Seagoville, Texas, we never had more than 12 people. People told me I should leave, but I loved those people and knew God had called me there. After about two years, though, my desires suddenly changed. I spent two hours praying about it, and the Lord showed me He was changing my desires and that we needed to leave on November 1. When I got home, before I could tell Jamie, she told me our landlord was selling the house, and we had to be out by November 1. That was a great confirmation.

The same thing happened when God started leading me toward television. I knew it was in my future, but I dreaded it because of the expense. We were already struggling just being on radio. Then one day in 1998, my desires totally changed, and I went from dreading it to being excited about it. God was leading me through the desires He put in my heart.

Is Heaven Your Only Expectation?

Many Christians are saved and stuck. They know the Lord and that if they died, they'd go to be with Him. Praise God for that. But Jesus did more than forgive your sins so you could go to heaven someday. Galatians 1:4 says He gave Himself for our sins to deliver us from this present evil world. And God has something better for you than simply muddling along, waiting for the day you finally get to heaven. You can walk in victory *now*.

It's been said that if you arrested the average Christian for being a Christian, there wouldn't be enough evidence to convict them. That's a strong statement, but you need to think about it. Does your life show the victory, power, joy, vision, and faith that God has made available to you?

You Haven't Tapped God Out

God has a Promised Land for you. I don't care who you are or how victorious you may already be—there is always more. None of us have ever tapped God out completely. I have seen God do wonderful things in my own life, and I am thankful for every one of them. But I know there's more.

That is why you need a holy dissatisfaction—not an unholy dissatisfaction, but a hunger for more of what God has for you. If you've been living in the wilderness and you know there's more, don't just sit there—**rise up!** Go after what God has for you.

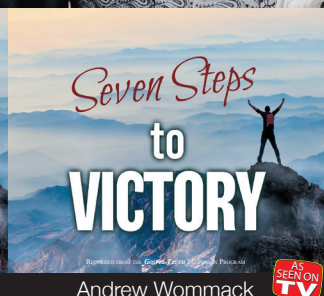
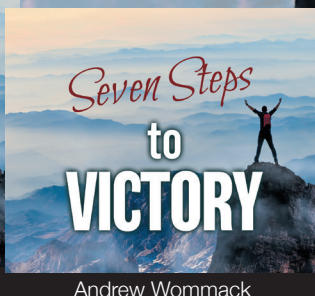
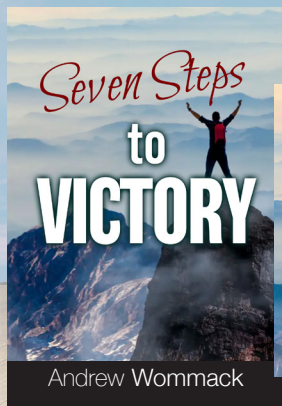
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FROM SLEEPING IN HER CAR TO LIVING IN GOD'S PROVISION

Are you trusting God to provide for your needs? Samantha's testimony will encourage you to stand firmly on His promises and place your confidence in His Word.

A self-professed atheist, Samantha poured her time, talent, and passion into building her dream home in France, using her skills as an interior designer to bring her vision to life. But as depression took hold, everything began to unravel. She lost the home she had worked so hard to build, was evicted, and eventually found herself sleeping in her car.



When all hope seemed lost, a stranger handed Samantha a Bible and some teachings by Andrew Wommack, introducing her to a relationship with God that completely changed her life's direction. Soon after, the Lord led her to enroll at Charis Bible College in Nice, France. She arrived with only enough money to pay her enrollment fee and no place to live, but God already had a plan in motion. A member of her church connected her with a woman who had been praying for a roommate. Not only did God provide Samantha with a place to stay, but He also provided it completely free of charge.

Samantha experienced firsthand how faithfully God cares for His children. Even after the disappointment of losing the material things she once desired, she discovered that what the Lord provided was far better than anything she had lost. Before she even completed her time at Charis, God blessed her with a beautiful home that fit her dreams so perfectly, she says she couldn't have planned it better herself.

When people say to you, "Look at Jesus and don't take your eyes off Him," believe it—that's what you have to do. Don't take your eyes off the Word. God says, "I'll take care of you," and it's what He does. He takes care of us.

— Samantha

If you have needs and aren't sure how they will be met, let Samantha's story encourage you. God is your provider, and He is always faithful. ■

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PEACE IS A PERSON

An excerpt from Carrie Pickett's book *Fighting with Peace*, available at store.awmc.ca.

Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.

Matthew 8:25–26, NKJV

My daughter's frantic voice over the phone told me that the devil was trying to steal her peace. Hearing her sobs of anxiousness told me he was trying to steal mine as well! Elliana, my beautiful 12-year-old, entered the new world of seventh grade. Need I say more?

"I'm going to be scared all day without you, Mom!"

This isn't my daughter's normal response when we are apart. She was fixing her gaze and responding to external situations that were unfamiliar to her. I had to remind her that while I wasn't there with her, her Savior was. She later told me that that was the very thing that helped her through the day.

We all endure situations that are unfamiliar or that take us by surprise. *I don't know what is going to happen with my job . . . The doctor just said my symptoms are a sure sign of . . .*

Uncertainties can cause a shaking that tries to get us to meditate on what we see. We may linger on all the potentialities. Before long, uncertainties become our fixation that infiltrates our emotions. Then our words follow and take over. And our words are powerful (Proverbs 18:21)!

As we give a voice to our fears, our pains, our uncertainties, we are speaking the enemy's language.

When you don't feel at peace, the enemy works it to his advantage. He acts quickly to make sure you continue to perceive things as bigger than his enemy (God).

Take the example of the disciples in Matthew 8:24–26. They stayed fixated on the tempestuous weather and thought that they would die. All that panic, while the Person of Peace lay sleeping nearby.

Peace is not an emotion. Peace is a Person. There never has to be a settled feeling in our emotions before we speak the victory that is ours! Rather, we need to remain confident in who God is and His promises about our situations.

When we get a revelation that Jesus lives inside us, we can speak peace over our emotions and over any situation! We should never let the enemy tell us what is wrong, how we feel, or how someone else's story will become our story.

So, when everything around us seems to be the cause of our condition, we look inside at the Person of Peace who lives in our hearts. ■

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Want to hear more from Carrie Pickett? Join her in person at the **Women Arise Conference, November 5–7**, for a powerful time of biblical teaching, worship, and encouragement. Register for free today at WomenAriseConference.org or scan the QR code.



Carrie Pickett spent 16 years as a missionary in Russia, where she established and directed the Charis Bible College campus in St. Petersburg. In 2015, she returned to Colorado and now serves as an Executive Vice President of Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College. Carrie is passionate about spreading God's worldwide and raising up powerful ministers with a Great Commission vision.

A BETTER WAY TO RELATE TO THIS WORLD

Every day, we're surrounded by voices trying to tell us how to think, what to fear, and where to place our confidence. The world constantly invites us to react to circumstances, emotions, and appearances. But as believers, we've been given a better way to relate to the world around us.

Romans 12:2 reminds us,

Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.

That's more than good advice—it's an invitation to experience life from God's perspective instead of the world's.

One of the greatest gifts God has given us is His Word. It reveals His heart, His wisdom, and His perspective on every circumstance. When we renew our minds with Scripture, we stop allowing the world's opinions to dictate our thoughts, and we begin letting God's truth shape every area of our lives.

That doesn't mean challenges disappear. Jesus said we would face tribulation in this world, but He also declared that He overcame the world (John 16:33). Our confidence isn't found in favorable circumstances; it's found in His finished work. As we fix our eyes on God's promises instead of our problems, we begin responding differently. Fear gives way to peace. Anxiety is replaced with confidence. Hope becomes stronger, even in the midst of uncertainty.

Jesus called us the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matt. 5:13–16). He didn't call us to blend in with the world around us. He called us to let our light shine so others can see His work in our lives. As we live according to God's Word, we demonstrate a different way of living—one that points people back to Him.

When people see joy in the middle of difficulty, peace during uncertain times, or integrity when compromise seems easier, they're seeing the fruit of God's Word at work. Our lives become living testimonies that there is another way—a Kingdom way.

I often remind people that the Word isn't just meant to inform us; it's meant to become visible through us. John 1 says that the Word became flesh in Jesus.

Today, as we continually renew our minds, God's Word is expressed through our attitudes, our decisions, and the way we love others. People begin to encounter His goodness because they've encountered someone whose life has been shaped by His truth.



Second Corinthians 5:20 says we are ambassadors for Christ. An ambassador represents the kingdom they belong to, not the culture that surrounds them. That's our calling. We aren't here to mirror the world's thinking—we're here to reveal God's heart.

No matter what you're facing today, remember this: You don't have to relate to life through fear, pressure, or what your five senses are telling you. You can let God's Word become the lens through which you view every circumstance.



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GOD STILL ANSWERS PRAYER

Are you believing God for a miracle or a new season in your life? You can take comfort in His promise that He hears your prayers. Let these testimonies of answered prayer encourage your heart and strengthen your faith as you trust Him for your own victory.

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Mark 11:24

A HOME PROVIDED IN JUST 24 HOURS

My brother-in-law was trying to find an affordable house to rent in Kerala, India, for himself and his wife, but every house in the area seemed to be taken. I called the Andrew Wommack Ministries prayer line in the USA, and they prayed for him. Within 24 hours, he found a beautiful home at an affordable price. Hallelujah! Thank you, Andrew Wommack Ministries, for your prayers. — Arun A.

A PRAYER THAT SPARKED A MIRACLE

I wondered if I was praying the wrong way, so I asked the Holy Spirit to teach me how to pray. He led me to Andrew Wommack's teaching *You've Already Got It!*, although I had never heard of Andrew before. The teaching really touched me, and I knew I was hearing the truth of the Gospel. I shared it with my sisters, and the very next day, one of them called and said she had prayed with authority and received her miracle! Glory to God! — Ntivu S.

FROM BARREN TO BLESSED

I had been sick for as long as I could remember. From childhood, I struggled with digestive issues and later developed narcolepsy, cataplexy, temporal lobe epilepsy, endometriosis, and SIBO. After being told that conceiving a child could be very difficult, I found Andrew's teachings, and God's Word transformed my life. Today I am fully healed and have a healthy two-year-old son as my testimony! — Samantha A.

A FEVER BROKEN THROUGH PRAYER

My child had been battling a cold-like sickness for three days, with an on-and-off fever that made her feel even worse. Last night, her fever returned, so I called the Helpline for prayer. We prayed, and her temperature dropped to 98 degrees and stayed there all night. This morning it was still 98. Praise the Lord! — Jessica S.

THEIR GENEROSITY CAME FULL CIRCLE

I just wanted to share that when the ministry was raising funds for the Charis garage, my wife and I felt led to give. At the time, we needed more garage space for a new business we had started. Within a year or two, we moved into a new home with more than twice the garage space of our previous house. — Neil F.

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Speakers: Carrie Pickett and Audrey Mack

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