

DIVINE DIRECTION

Faith to Start

Sunday, November 7, 2021

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Finding the faith to get started

1. It's the start that stops us

- You will never finish something that you don't start
- Your divine burden often reveals your divine direction

2. Start small

- You don't need to have the faith to finish
- You just need the faith to start

Do not despise these small beginnings, for the LORD rejoices to see the work begin... **Zechariah 4:10** NLT

¹⁷ But now I said to them, "You know very well what trouble we are in. Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire. Let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and end this disgrace!" ¹⁸ Then I told them about how the gracious hand of God had been on me, and about my conversation with the king. They replied at once, "Yes, let's rebuild the wall!" So they began the good work.

Nehemiah 2:17-18 NLT

3. Take the next step

- Be faithful
- Dream big
- Take small steps

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Nehemiah 2:19-20 NLT

So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up.

Galatians 6:9 NLT

"Start doing what's necessary, then what's possible, then suddenly you are doing the impossible"

~ St. Francis of Assisi

Next Steps:

- I will use the faith I have and start moving forward in God's will: _____
- Re-read Galatians 6:9 each day this week
- Pray each day this week and ask God to show me my next step as I seek his Divine Direction in my life
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