

Defeating Denial

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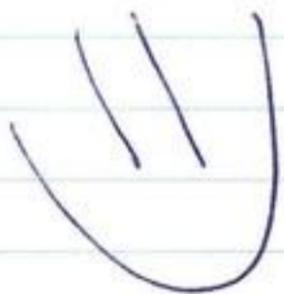
It is much easier to blame others for our failures than to admit that we are the cause of the problem or situation. That is called denial. But denial only keeps the problem going and the solution beyond our reach. Once we admit "what is," with God's help we can deal with everything that He brings into our lives.

If we are able to admit that we have failed at anything, something large or small, whether it occurred yesterday or today, we can begin to learn from our experiences. . . . Especially incarceration in prison.

And from our experiences comes insight; from insight comes wisdom; from wisdom comes learning; and from learning comes the lessons that we can apply to all of the opportunities that God presents into our lives.

Paul, the apostle, said that "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Whatever God brings into our lives is His will. And the strength we need to face and be victorious over anything and everything that He brings to us, will come from Him and our commitment to doing it.

We cannot expect His strength to subdue things that do not concern Him or are not in His will for our lives. But if we are doing what He would have us to do, the victory will come from Him. And my victory is leaving prison a changed man, by the strength of God! True victory is victory over ones self!



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