

VOICES

PART 3: CHASING FAILURE

INTRODUCTION

What would you do if you couldn't fail? Would you write a book, produce music, or start your own business? Would you go back to school? Would you get married? Whatever that thing is, don't you think it's time to sweep aside all of the excuses you have for not pursuing the life God has planned for you?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Talk about a time when you risked something in order to achieve a goal? What happened?
2. How do you want people to remember you when you're gone? Do you think you're on a path to be remembered the way you want to be? Why or why not?
3. Talk about a time when you failed at something important to you. What did you learn from the experience?
4. Read Joshua 1:9. What stands in the way of you living as though God will be with you wherever you go?
5. Who might be waiting to benefit from you pursuing God's plan for your life? What might those people miss out on if you don't chance failure?
6. What would you do if you couldn't fail? What can you do to become *today* what you intend to be *tomorrow*? How can this group support you?

MOVING FORWARD

There are things that put pressure on you to be what you're not. The roles you have as a family member, coworker, employer, or student put expectations on you that you may not be intended carry. God has a plan for your life . . . and so do other people. But God's plans are bigger. They're more important. In order to pursue those plans, you'll have to risk failure. You'll have to work to become today who you intend to be tomorrow.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9