"HOW TO RECOVER FROM FAILURE" New Life Bible Church August 19, 2018 Allen McLauchlin, Pastor A family friendly, never alone, purpose driven church NOTE: Forgiveness is immediate; however restoration is a process. By recognizing that you have hit rock bottom.

So the Philistines captured him and gouged out his eyes. They took him down to Gaza, where he was bound with bronze chains and forced to grind grain in the prison. Then, his hair began to grow back. Judges 16:21,22 "Obliterate the day I was born. Blank out the night I was conceived! Let it be a black hole in space. May God forget it ever happened. Erase it from the books! Job 3:3,4 I was as far down as a body can go, and the gates were slamming shut behind me forever- When my life was slipping away, I remembered God, yet you pulled me up from that grave alive, O God, my God! Jonah 2:6,7 "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more for God to work with. "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you. Matthew 5:3,4 O God, you've done it all! Who is quite like you? You, who made me stare trouble in the face, Turn me around; I've been to the bottom; Bring me up. Psalm 71:19 2. By letting go of your pride Then Samson said to the boy who was holding his hand, "Let me feel the pillars on which the house rests, that I may lean against them." Judges 16:26 If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. Galatians 6:3 When pride comes, then comes disgrace. Proverbs 11:2 His heart became arrogant and hardened with pride, he was deposed from his royal throne and stripped of his glory, until he acknowledged the most high God. Daniel 5:20 So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored. 2 Kings 5:14. If anyone is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them before my Father in Heaven. Mark 8:38 Though the Lord is exalted, He looks kindly on the lowly; Psalm 136:6 3. By getting desperate about your prayer life. Then Samson called to the Lord and said, "O Lord God, please remember me and please strengthen me just this time, O God, that I may at once be avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes." Judges 16:28 Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need; rescue me from those who pursue me, for they are too strong for me. Set me free from my prison. Psalm 142:6,7 In my distress I called to the Lord. Jonah 2:1; But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Matthew 14:30 And being in anguish, He prayed more earnestly, and His sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. Luke 22:44 The Lord heard my prayer. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock He put a new song in my mouth. Psalm 40:1-3 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door. Matthew 6:6. 4. Must be totally committed to the recover process . Samson said, "Let me die with the Philistines!" Then he pushed with all his might, and down came the temple on the rulers and all the people in it. Thus he killed many more when he died than while he lived. Judges 16:30 If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. Matthew 5:30. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish." Esther 4:16 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. Galatians 2:20.