

DISCOURAGEMENT IS A THIEF



Discouragement is a thief that has stolen the hopes, dreams and lives of many people. It is not a silent killer. It is a **SUBTLE** thief. Discouragement steals the progress you have made. It steals the potential stored inside of you.

It steals the opportunity that is waiting for you.

Discouragement comes into your life uninvited. When it comes, most people do not fight the feeling. Unfortunately, they embrace it. That feeling of discouragement is

DISHEARTENING.

**Discouragement
is the devil's
most valuable
tool.
- American
Proverb**

It is a lighter form of depression. Before depression there is always discouragement. The thoughts of feeling less than, overlooked, under-appreciated, frustrated and hopeless introduces them spirit of discouragement.

People have given up marriages prematurely and later regretted their decision because of discouragement. People have quit jobs because they were discouraged not considering, how that job was a means to an end. People have given up graduating from school because they were discouraged with their classes, not realizing that they were altering the quality of their future.



Mathew 11:28 says, "[Come to me, all of you who are tired and have heavy loads, and I will give you rest.](#)"

If you are feeling discouraged come to the Lord **FIRST** so He can give you rest so you won't give up and lose what you've worked hard for. The Lord understands the consequences of being discouraged. That's why He told you to come to Him if you are feeling like this. The last thing He wants you to do is to be robbed by the spirit of discouragement.

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