

"Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."

Luke 22:31-32 ESV

The key to winning the battle for our purpose is learning to rest in God.

1. Rest in God's Authority

• God is in control of what is out of your control.

He prayed, "O Lord, God of our ancestors, you alone are the God who is in heaven. You are ruler of all the kingdoms of the earth. You are powerful and mighty; no one can stand against you!" **2 Chronicles 20:6 NLT**

2. Rest in God's Protection

• The storms in your life do not happen outside the protection of God.

Though I am surrounded by troubles, you will protect me from the anger of my enemies. You reach out your hand, and the power of your right hand saves me.

Psalm 138:7 NLT

3. Rest in God's Grace

- Failed in commitment (Matthew 26:37-43) Prayer in the garden
- · Failed in integrity (Luke 22:54-61) Deny Christ
- · Failed in faith (John 21:3- Peter going fishing)
- God knows your failures and has still written you into his future plan.

Who then will condemn us? No one–for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us.

Romans 8:34 NLT

4. Rest in God's Plan

As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.

Genesis 50:20 ESV

The Lord will work out his plans for my life—for your faithful love, O Lord, endures forever...

Psalm 138:8 NLT