

God Will Not Bless Mediocrity!

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A young man approached me once, upset with God because of the fact that everybody at his workplace was being promoted and he was passed by. He went on to ask why God was doing that to him. I kindly responded: If this is God's doing, get ready for a management position; if not, it's time to get your act together!

James tells us (James 1:17): "Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven. The gifts are rivers of light cascading down from the Father of Light. There is nothing deceitful in God, nothing two-faced, nothing fickle." (MSG)

The young man went on to ask me: What do you mean? I responded: If you are most of the time, ten to fifteen minutes late for work and when you get to work you wander around the office and go get a cup of coffee before you get to your work station thirty minutes later, this might be the reason why you've been passed by! I know there are many factors of course, but I am persuaded that: God doesn't bless mediocrity! We read in Nehemiah 7:2: "I put my brother Hanani and Hananiah, the commander of the fortress, in charge of Jerusalem. Hananiah was a trustworthy man, and he feared God more than most people do." (GV)

Hanani and Hananiah were placed as the new leaders of Jerusalem because they were trustworthy and God-fearing men; more than the average person! That tells me God is looking for Excellence! If you are stuck in a rut and your colleagues are moving up, it's time to stop and do a soul-search, because promotion and every good gift (like raises) comes from the Father of lights and He will always prosper His children!

In His Service,
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