Pastor's Weekly Devotional- June 2, 2016

"Coming Back After Defeat"

What happens when life strikes you a blow?

What happens when you blow it?

What happens when you are too weak to resist temptation?

Everyone has low times. Times of discouragement. Times of fear. Feelings of failure. This is not new. The scripture tells us that there are different seasons in our lives. There is the <u>winterseason</u> when everything appears to be dead. But the trees are not really dead. It is just the "season of life" which causes it.

This "dead season" will past. Here is something to keep in mind…Never set your goals when you feel low. Never make an irreversible negative decision in the dark times. When you stumble, don't crumble! God doesn't expect you to be perfect. He does expect you to be dependent upon Him.

With God at your side, look at your ruins and failures, and with an indomitable spirit declare: "I have another chance to do better...to build better...to have a new start!" See failure as a juncture in the road. It is not a campground. Refuse to take up a permanent residence at a point of failure.

Remember that with God at your side, He will give you a bounce-back-ability to go forward. Faith in God is a moving sidewalk! Never underestimate God's power to repair and restore!

The kind of faith that moves mountains comes <u>after</u> layers and layers of failures and defeats and not from one religious event. So, hang in there, for the winter will soon turn into spring...and spring into Harvest time!

So, whenever it rains, look for the rainbows! God has your rainbow!

Have a blessed week! Pastor Sewdin