

Reaching Your Full Potential for God (9)

(Excerpts from “How to Reach Your Full Potential for God” by Charles F. Stanley)

TAKING GOD-APPROVED RISKS

Where am I?

- Do I play it safe?
- Do I insist on guarantees?
- Am I afraid of change? Or
- I like to explore new possibilities

A Review of a Great Risk Taker for the Lord – Matt. 14:22-33

- What is the normal criticism of Peter while walking on the water?
- Do you know of another besides Jesus and Peter who walked on the water?
- Do you think Peter was encouraged or discouraged after taking the risk of walking on the water?

Things to consider according to Charles Stanley:

1. What you see as a risk from your perspective could be the very situation that God wants to use to strengthen your faith.
2. What you think holds the potential for loss or danger, God may very well be using to strengthen your character.
3. What you view as taking a chance, very possibly could be what God will use to carry you one giant step closer to reaching your full potential.

QUESTIONS

- *In general, what is considered risky?*
- *What could be examples of God-approved risks?*
- *How do we determine which opportunities to pursue in our quest to reach our full potential?*

The flip side of a risk is the possibility that we just might experience a great **blessing** or **reward** .

The challenge we face as opportunities come our way is to **understand** what God is doing and where He is **leading** .

What is the risk God is calling you to take to reach your full potential?

Shut the Door on Regret!!