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Earlier this month before going back to work, I took some time to think about the year ahead, plan and strategize for success. I found myself rather anxious about delivering great results at work. Coming from a year with such great achievements, I feared that I may not have what it takes to match and exceed that.

It wasn't until I remembered that I did not attain those results by my own prowess that my anxiety gave way to faith. It was by God's enablement that I recorded great results. We miss it when we think we are the ones who make it happen. We achieve great things by God strengthening and empowering us as we yield to Him.

If you know that it is God who enabled you to succeed yesterday, then you don't worry about not being good enough to pull it off again, because it is Him, and not you. God doesn't change. If He helped you yesterday, He will help you today and tomorrow, as you continue to acknowledge and rely on Him. You also don't have to be concerned about people plotting against you, because your success is God's doing, and not yours.

I once heard a teacher of the word of God say that many years ago she prayed that God would do something so great in her life and ministry that no one would doubt it was God and not her. God has tremendously surpassed her expectations, way beyond measure. Her life and ministry is impacting millions of people all over the world. We should dream big so that we are awed at what God gets to do in our lives.

God doesn't promote the qualified, he qualifies the promoted. Never fret that you are not good enough. Do your best and trust God to take you places. Real promotion comes from God. If you play on God's side, you don't have to be concerned about dancing to the politics of the day or being a people pleaser to get ahead. As you diligently do your work, God will see to it that you are duly recognized and rewarded. When it doesn't happen in line with your expectation, God gives you the grace to take it with a good attitude, and to be grateful for what you have.

Always present your case to God, for scripture says that if you ask, you shall receive. Note that

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it doesn't say "wish", it says "ask, and you shall receive". Ask God to help you with every detail of your life. You will be amazed at the difference that makes. Ask God to help you with your work, so that you do it well. Ask God for wisdom, and to expand your understanding and comprehension of things. Ask God to promote you in life as you diligently serve Him. Ask God to set you apart for His glory. Ask, with the right motive, and you shall receive.

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