

THE POWER OF ONE

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(Genesis 41:37-43) (Genesis 3:11-16) (2nd Kings 2:9-15)

Connecting with **ONE** wrong person can make you miserable. Connecting with **ONE** right person can make you prosperous. Believing **ONE** liar can ruin your credibility and integrity.

Being mentored by **ONE** righteous person can cause you to be favored by God. Connecting with **ONE** foolish person can cause you to go through unnecessary suffering. It does not take a lot of people to change your life. It takes one person to change your life.

**BE-CAREFUL WHOM YOU INVITE INTO YOUR
CIRCLE BECAUSE ONE PERSON CAN CHANGE
EVERYTHING!**

DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE ANYONE

The biggest mistake people make, when inviting people into their lives is **UNDERESTIMATING WHO THEY ARE**. Do not underestimate anyone. If a person looks innocent it does not mean they're not guilty.

If a person attends church it does not mean they're holy. If a person is young it does not mean they're foolish. If a person is cheap it does not mean they're broke.

People will become the victim to their own ignorance when they trust **BEFORE** they test. God uses people to bless you. The enemy uses people to destroy you. Never forget that people are pawns to your promotion or demotion.

It only takes **ONE** person to lead you to the promise land or to keep you in the wilderness. In order to **AVOID** underestimating anyone, make sure you test who they

are. Make them prove themselves to you from a **DISTANCE**.

Making a person prove themselves from a **DISTANCE** protects you from the impact of their foolishness. It also provides you with clarity about who they are. Never allow anyone to invade your space until they have **PROVEN** to bring more **VALUE** to your space.

To test someone appropriately, **GIVE THEM SOMETHING SMALL BEFORE YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING BIG**. People's words reveal what they are thinking. However, their actions show who they are.

This is the difference between people who fail and people who succeed. The people who fail trust a person's words. They put more value on diction than demonstration. The people who succeed trust a person's actions. They value demonstration over diction.

HOW DOES THE POWER OF ONE WORK?

The power of one is a very simple principle. It is based on one word, **PROXIMITY**! Whoever is in close proximity to you will have the ability to shift your life in a positive direction or negative direction. You do not have to like the person for them to impact you.

You do not have to love the person for them to create a difference in your life. You do not have to respect the person for them to create a change in your life. If they are in the **SAME PROXIMITY** as you, they can alter the content of your life.

HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES:

- Joseph was blessed and promoted by Pharaoh to be second in command over Egypt. **ONE** person changed Joseph's life. He went from being a prisoner to being

second in command over the most powerful nation in the world. This was due to **ONE** person. If Joseph was not in the **PROXIMITY** of Pharaoh, he wouldn't have been promoted to be second in command. (Genesis 41:37-43)

- Eve was deceived by the serpent in the Garden of Eden. The advice of **ONE** serpent caused Eve to lose her prosperity. When she listened to the advice of **ONE** serpent, her life of ease turned into a life of hardship. If the serpent was never in the **PROXIMITY** of Eve, she wouldn't have been deceived. (Genesis 3:1-16).
- Elisha received a double portion of the Prophet Elijah's spirit because he humbled himself to be mentored by the Prophet Elijah. Being mentored by **ONE** Prophet allowed Elisha to walk in a greater anointing. If Elisha was not in the **PROXIMITY** of Elijah, he would have never received a greater anointing. (2nd Kings 2:9-15)

NEVER FORGET:

WHOEVER IS IN YOUR PROXIMITY WILL ALTER
THE CONTENT OF YOUR LIFE!

(It takes one person to bless you and it takes one person
to destroy you.)

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