

THE WEIGHT OF BEING AT THE TOP

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Genesis 3:6-9

God created all of us to have dominion over the earth. We were destined to be leaders and rulers over a given territory. When you are walking in dominion you are living at the top of the mountain in your respected field.

There is **NOTHING** wrong with being at the top. In actuality, there is nothing better. However, with every good thing that is given there is a weight that comes with it. Most people do not think about the weight they have to carry when they are living on top. However, whether you realize it or not, the weight must be carried.

SIX WEIGHTS

1. **EVERYONE SEES YOU:** If you are a private person this weight will discourage you. It is an unavoidable

truth that people who are on top get the most attention. The pressure of being seen is that nothing you do goes unnoticed. The privilege of relaxing in peace is slim to none. The advantage of not being bothered is very minimum.

2. **EVERY MISTAKE IS SEEN:** If you are not a detailed person this weight will suffocate you. People who are not detailed will be criticized to the letter of their wrong doings. Remember, when you're on top everyone sees you and the mistakes you make invites a **MASS** of criticism.
3. **NO ROOM FOR ERRORS:** When you're at the top the opportunity to make errors is extremely slim. When a person whose at the top makes an error it affects **EVERYONE** who is under them. The pressure to be right becomes immense because your actions affect other people.

4. **YOU'RE AN EASY TARGET TO BE ATTACKED:**

People at the top are usually the first ones to be attacked because it is believed they have the most to take. When people attack a company they come after the leader. When terrorists attack a country they target the head of state. If you are not wise enough to survive attacks from jealous enemies this weight will destroy you.

5. **EVERYTHING STOPS AND ENDS WITH YOU:** When you are on top you will always be in **DEMAND**.

People who are on top make the decisions, control the culture and decide up to date changes. They are constantly asked questions and inundated with problems to solve.

6. **YOU GET THE MOST PRAISE AND ALL THE BLAME:**

As stated before, everything starts and ends with you. When you are at the top you are accountable for every wrong result but honored for every good

outcome. It's not always fair but it is the weight you have to carry.

GOD LOOKS AT WHOSE AT THE TOP

God placed Adam to be the head over Eve. It was Adam's responsibility to make sure God's word and instruction was followed in the garden of Eden. It was Adam's job to make sure no one was to eat the fruit from the tree of life.

Even though Adam did not eat the fruit, he failed to manage the garden because Eve ate the fruit. When Eve violated God's instruction, the Lord was looking for Adam because he was on top. The Lord was holding Adam accountable for what happened.

Genesis 3: 6-9 says, *"The woman saw that the tree was beautiful, that its fruit was good to eat, and that it would make her wise. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She also gave some of the fruit to her husband who was with her,*

and he ate it. Then, it was as if their eyes were opened. They realized they were naked, so they sewed fig leaves together and made something to cover themselves. Then they heard the Lord God walking in the garden during the cool part of the day, and the man and his wife hid from the Lord God among the trees in the garden. But the Lord God called to the man and said, "Where are you?"

If you are at the top of your field it is a blessing, privilege and honor. Understanding the weight of being at the top is imperative if you want to stay there. Proverbs 4:7 teaches us that in all thy getting, get an understanding.

When you have understanding, obstacles are **EASIER** to go through. Trouble is not as difficult to handle and the weight is **NOT** as strenuous to carry. Understanding the weight of being at the top will empower you to carry it with grace and ease. Remember this wisdom key.

**WHAT YOU FAIL TO UNDERSTAND WILL
OVERWHELM YOU.**

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