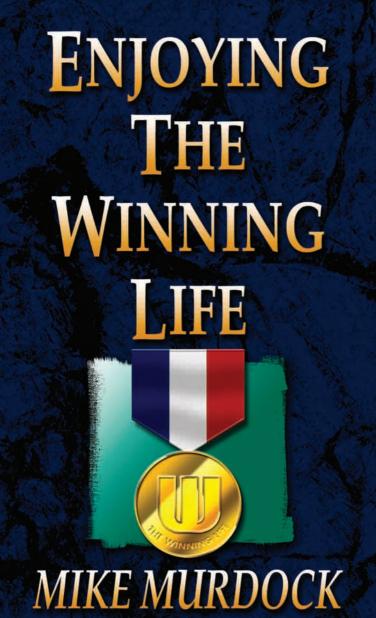
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You Will Never Leave
Where You Are
Until You Decide
Where You
Would Rather Be.

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#### WHY I WROTE THIS BOOK

Within 30 days from today, your life could be dramatically different.

Think about it.

You have the power to *change*...to make new decisions...to set in motion the lifestyle of a winner. It depends entirely on you. You do not have to be a prisoner of your circumstances. You can become a creator of your circumstances.

That's why I'm thrilled to share these powerful Wisdom Principles from the World's Greatest Book...The Holy Scriptures; "...which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus," (2 Timothy 3:15).

Pursue the *heart* of a Champion.

Possess the *mind* of a Winner.

Produce the *spirit* of a Conqueror.

It begins with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and obedience to the life principles He taught.

"We are more than conquerors

through Him that loved us," (Romans 8:37).

You can *change* your life. That's why I wrote this book.

-MIKE MURDOCK

# WINNING IS A PERSONAL DECISION, NOT AN EVENT

Decisions Determine Circumstances. A winning life is not necessarily a life of fame, popularity and public acceptance. Television and novels often depict the lifestyle of famous people as one of continuous pleasure... powerful...perfected. Tragically, the opposite is often true.

Fame can be burdensome, demanding and even cruel. This is easily proved by the alcoholism, drug addiction and even suicides often found among those in the limelight.

A winning life is more than the accumulation of earthly possessions and wealth. Many biographies record the deep depression and insecurities of some of the wealthiest people in the world. Even King Solomon, in his backslidden state, cried out, "Therefore I hated life," (Ecclesiastes 2:17).

It's a climate of enthusiasm emanating from you. It's when you have purpose...progress...direction... decisiveness. Winning is satisfying movement toward worthwhile goals that God has scheduled for your life.

Actually, any day that brings you closer to a God-given dream is a winning day.

## GOD EXPECTED YOU TO SUCCEED AND WIN

God Requires You To Overcome.

Let's face it. Something drives you to dominate the world around you...to solve your problems...to master your circumstances. God purposefully planted this leadership drive within you. "And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth," (Genesis 1:26).

When you are born into the family of God, His *nature* is planted within you. "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the

world through lust," (2 Peter 1:4).

You have a built-in need to excel—to conquer—to increase. That's why our Heavenly Father teaches us. Through His Word and The Holy Spirit, the secrets of spiritual warfare are discovered. (Be sure and read more about this in my book, *Battle Techniques For War-Weary Saints.*)

As I often say, those who are unwilling to lose, rarely do.

You Are Created For Leadership. You Are Equipped To Enjoy The Winning Life.

#### RECOMMENDED INVESTMENTS:

Battle Techniques for War Weary Saints (Book/B-07/32 pages/\$5) The Law of Recognition (Book/B-114/ 247 pages/\$15)

#### WINNING WILL COST YOU

Winning May Be Expensive.

But, failure is costly. It will cost you something to become a Champion.

A productive life is not an accident. It will require some effort... taking risks...reaching for relationships that might reject you...patient absorption of new information and ideas.

A winning life often involves seasons of pain. Your new revelations from God may expose errors in your childhood teaching. Your early teachers may have passed on to you their distortions, prejudices and doubts. Any discovery of personal error may almost tear your very heart out.

It is very painful to make major changes in your belief system.

That's the critical place where many people fail.

They refuse to acknowledge and pursue the benefits of change. They adapt to lack. They forfeit their dreams to temporarily appears any opposition.

Most people do not pursue their dreams and goals in an effort to reduce their confrontations, struggles and opposition. They choose to sit as spectators in the grandstand of life, rather than risk the arena of conflict, to wear the crown of victory.

Shockingly, most people eventually discover that it's more costly to lose than to win.

You see, failure has a price, too.

Failure is not an event, but an opinion.

Failure cannot happen in your life without your permission.

What is the price of *losing?* Loss of self-confidence. Inferiority. Self-directed anger. Fear of the future. Low self-esteem that can even affect your physical health. Paralysis of your creative ideas. Depression. Vulnerability to self-destructive and suicidal thoughts. Loss of favor with friends. And, worst of all, you miss

God's will and plan for your life.

That's why winning is worth any price.

## Winning Is Always Worth The Effort

Winning is making progress... movement...in the direction of God's dreams and goals for your life. It is sacrifice, self-discipline and warfare. Self must be surrendered to the will of God. Satan must be confronted and conquered with spiritual weaponry. It is normal to experience doubts regarding your efforts to live a pure, holy and victorious life for God.

Review the benefits.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's," (Psalm 103:2-5). Note these rewards of a winning life mentioned

#### in these verses:

- ▶ Forgiveness
- Physical healing for your body
- ➤ Protection from your enemies
- ► Promotion and recognition
- ► Financial provision
- ► Youthfulness and energy

The Harvest Is Worth Your Seed. Never Forget It.

#### RECOMMENDED INVESTMENTS:

Wisdom for Crisis Times (Book/B-40/ 112 pages/\$9)

31 Reasons People Do Not Receive Their Financial Harvest (Book/B-82/252 pages/\$12)

# YOU WILL FAIL WITHOUT THE SUPERNATURAL POWER OF GOD

You Will Not Succeed Alone.

Your Success Will Require God.

Your winning life will never be achieved through man-made, self-help programs that ignore God and obedience to His laws. He must become the center of your life.

"Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God," (2 Corinthians 3:5).

Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me," (Philippians 4:13).

No Gift From God Can Replace The Presence Of God.

Pursue Him. Talk to The Holy Spirit. Sing to Him. Obey Him.

He Is The Mystery Behind Every Miracle.



-MIKE MURDOCK



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# THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE GREATEST DISCOVERY OF MY LIFETIME

My World Changed On July 13, 1994. That's the day I fell in love with The Holy Spirit.

The early disciples were weak, unstable and powerless...until The Holy Spirit took control of their lives. "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you," (Acts 1:8).

The Holy Spirit became their *Teacher*. He revealed the nature of God...His purposes...and imparted His power from them to heal the sick, raise the dead and cast out evil spirits. "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they

shall recover," (Mark 16:17-18).

It was The Holy Spirit and His revelations that turned these early disciples from weaklings into champions.

Four outstanding ingredients are easily seen in these lives touched by God...truly, they enjoyed a winning life. First, they had an accurate understanding of God and knew His nature. Second, they recognized the limitations of their enemy, satan. Third, they released God's power in their ministry and reached out to others hurting around them. Fourth, they respected themselves as chosen and sanctified vessels of God. Now, let's apply their secrets to your own life today.

The Holy Spirit is a *Person*. The Holy Spirit is a *Place*. The Holy Spirit loves *Singing*.

The Holy Spirit requires *Obedience*.

What Peter did not become walking next to Jesus for three-and-one-half years he became in a day... *after* The Holy Spirit came.

Give Him full focus.

## ANY MOVEMENT TOWARD GOD ATTRACTS THE FULL ATTENTION OF GOD

God Reacts To Reachers.

### Here Are 4 Steps Toward A Winning Life

1. Reconstruct A More Accurate Picture Of The Holy Spirit. He is not a harsh dictator wanting to smash earthlings at the slightest sign of error. Rather, He is the Key to miracles, love, compassion and healing. "Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee," (Jeremiah 31:3). He is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance," (2 Peter 3:9).

He is a Teacher...Companion... Father...Protector...Healer...Provider.

He is a Giver of gifts. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from

above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning," (James 1:17).

Does He still love, forgive, heal and restore today? "For I am the Lord, I change not," (Malachi 3:6). "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever," (Hebrews 13:8).

Will He show favor, mercy and forgiveness to you personally? Yes, He responds to reachers. "God is no respecter of persons," (Acts 10:34). "...him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out," (John 6:37). Call on God. Respect His invitation to a relationship.

It has been often said that our opinion of our earthly father usually determines our opinion of our Heavenly Father. So, if your parents were inadequate in presenting love and caring, you might need an extra touch from God to get a more accurate understanding of the depth of His love and interest in your life and happiness.

This explains most of our difficulty with our faith. When we misunderstand and misinterpret God,

we believe His Word is extremely difficult. Faith is acceptance of His integrity.

2. Recognize The Limitations Of Your Adversary, Satan. "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you," (James 4:7).

Satan fears you, and the authority that you have over him through Christ. You are a joint heir with Christ, therefore, all things have been placed under your feet or control—including satan. "And hath put all things under His feet," (Ephesians 1:22).

He cannot stop God from loving you. He cannot stop God from hearing. He cannot stop God from responding to you.

Command him to take his hands off your life...to stop harassing your children that have been dedicated to the Lord...to get off your property, and out of your life.

He cannot linger where he is firmly resisted. "Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world," (1 John 4:4).

3. Reach Out To Someone Who Is Hurting Around You. This is the Miracle Key in defeating depression, loneliness and emptiness in your life.

A successful company studies how to meet the needs of their customers. Successful parents focus on the needs of their children. So it is with a successful and winning life: "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others," (Philippians 2:4).

An employee who gets promoted is the one who studies the needs of his boss. "Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth," (1 Corinthians 10:24).

Your contribution to others is the same measuring cup God uses when He makes contributions to your own life. "Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord," (Ephesians 6:8). So, find a damaged heart...a confused mind...a broken life...and pour the healing oil of Jesus on their wounds. It will open the windows of Heaven of blessing on your own life.

This is Seed-Faith.

Seed-Faith is sowing what you have received from God—into someone else in need.

Your Seed is anything you possess that can help someone else achieve their dreams and goals.

Your Harvest is whatever God can do that will help you achieve your dreams and goals.

When You Open Your Hand To Others—God Opens His Hand To Reward You. (I have much more on Seed-Faith in my book, *Creating Tomorrow Through Seed-Faith.*)

4. Respect Yourself As A Valuable Creation Of An Almighty God. The Israelites who left Egypt under Moses never entered Canaan, the land of abundance. You see, they had been peasants and slaves under Egyptian bondage, and they could never shake that slaveship mentality even though they have left Egypt!

Have you ever studied the biblical account of the Israelites? They became the slaves of the Egyptians for hundreds of years. They thought like slaves...talked like

slaves...lived with the mentality of peasants. They fretted. They fumed. They doubted their capability to overcome giants in the great land of promise, Cannan. They even called themselves as "grasshoppers" when they saw the giants!

Joshua and Caleb were different. They respected their God—therefore, they respected themselves. They saw themselves as victors, overcomers and conquerors. "Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it," (Numbers 13:30).

They were not complainers... murmurers...nor doubters. They possessed "another spirit." "But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed Me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it," (Numbers 14:24).

Refuse to magnify your personal weaknesses. God will use your own flaws to reveal His power and grace. "My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will

I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me," (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Feed the new nature God has given you as His special child. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new," (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Cherish God's authority and association with you that unleashes His powers and might over your enemy, satan. "Through God we shall do valiantly: for He it is that shall tread down our enemies," (Psalm 108:13).

Invest time in The Word of God.
Sit at the feet of The Holy Spirit.
Focus on tomorrow, not yesterday.

Expect the Invisible Favor of God to become obvious.

The Secret

Of Your Future
Is Hidden In Your

Daily Routine.

-MIKE MURDOCK



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## Now Wisdom For New Winners

- 1. Champions Decide To Become So.
- 2. Failure Will Last Only As Long As You Will Permit It.
- 3. Any Day That Brings You Closer To Your Dreams And Goals Is A Winning Day.
- 4. Winning Is Not The Absence Of Mistakes, But The Recognition And Overcoming Of Them.
- 5. The Winner's Finish Line Always Seems Farther Away For Those Not Enjoying The Race.
- 6. Winning Always Includes Crisis.
- 7. Success Is Discovering
  Ingredients That Create A
  Successful Day...Then, Duplicating It Regularly.
- 8. The Smallest Step In The Right Direction Always Creates Joy.
- 9. Happiness Is Movement Toward That Which Is Right.
- Any Act Of Obedience Shortens
   The Distance To Any Miracle You Are Pursuing.

Stop Looking At
Where You Have Been
And Start Looking At
Where You Can Be.

-MIKE MURDOCK



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### **DECISION**

#### Will You Accept Jesus As Your Personal Savior Today?

The Bible says, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved," (Romans 10:9).

Pray this prayer from your heart today!

"Dear Jesus, I believe that You died for me and rose again on the third day. I confess I am a sinner...I need Your love and forgiveness... Come into my heart. Forgive my sins. I receive Your eternal life. Confirm Your love by giving me peace, joy and supernatural love for others. Amen."

#### DR. MIKE MURDOCK

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Yes, Mike! I made a decision to accept Christ as my personal Savior today. Please send me

#### ABOUT MIKE MURDOCK

- Has embraced his Assignment to pursue...proclaim...and publish the Wisdom of God to help people achieve their dreams and goals.
- Began full-time evangelism at the age of 19, which has continued since 1966.
- Has traveled and spoken to more than 16,000 audiences in 40 countries, including East and West Africa, the Orient, Europe and South America.
- Noted author of over 200 books, including best sellers, Wisdom For Winning, Dream Seeds, The Double Diamond Principle, The Law of Recognition and The Holy Spirit Handbook.
- Created the popular Topical Bible series for Businessmen, Mothers, Fathers, Teenagers; The One-Minute Pocket Bible series and The Uncommon Life series.
- The Creator of the Master 7 Mentorship System, an Achievement Program for Believers.
- Has composed thousands of songs such as "I Am Blessed," "You Can Make It," "Holy Spirit This Is Your House" and "Jesus, Just The Mention Of Your Name," recorded by many gospel artists.
- Is the Founder and Senior Pastor of The Wisdom Center, in Fort Worth, Texas...a Church with International Ministry around the world.
- Has a weekly television program called Wisdom Keys with Mike Murdock.
- Has appeared often on TBN, CBN, BET, Daystar, Inspirational Network, LeSea Broadcasting and other television network programs.
- Has led over 3,000 to accept the call into full-time ministry.

## **ENJOYING THE WINNING LIFE**

Within 30 days from today, your life could be dramatically different. You have the power to be a Winner! You do not have to be a prisoner of your circumstances. In this exciting book, Dr. Mike Murdock succinctly discusses the Life of the Winner.

Success is not by accident. Winners must be warriors. Dr. Murdock helps the reader recognize and implement four critical steps to living a Winning Life.

He also presents catalyst thoughts for Champions that include:

- CHAMPIONS DECIDE TO BECOME SO
- WINNING IS NOT THE ABSENCE OF MISTAKES, BUT THE RECOGNITION AND OVERCOMING OF THEM
- WINNING INCLUDES CRISIS
- THE SMALLEST STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION CREATES JOY AND MUCH MORE!

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