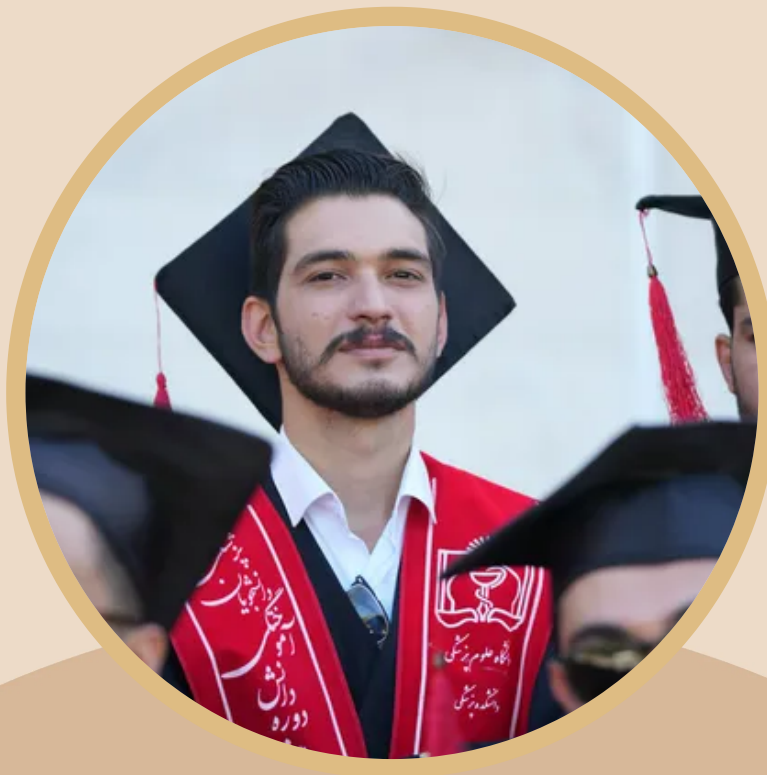




Rising Again Academically



Failed an exam and feel like giving up? This 3-day Bible study helps young men rebuild confidence, renew purpose, and trust God's plan for their future.



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Introduction

Failure can sting like nothing else—especially when it comes after hours of studying, late nights, and high hopes. Failing an important exam doesn't just hurt your GPA—it can crush your confidence, shake your self-worth, and make you question your future. But failure is never final with God.

In this 3-day Bible study, you'll be reminded that your value is not based on your grades. You'll explore how to recover from setbacks, how God uses failure for growth, and how to build confidence again—not in yourself alone, but in Him. God's plans for your life are bigger than one test, and He's not finished with you yet.



Day 1: You Are Not a Failure



Your Verse

Psalms 73:26 (NIV)

“My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Romans 8:1 (NIV)*
- *“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”*



Devotional: Failing Doesn't Make You a Failure

You might feel like a failure right now. You studied. You tried. And you came up short. It's easy to let that grade become your identity, to think, "Maybe I'm not smart enough," or "Maybe this just isn't for me."

But the truth is this: **failure is an event—not a person.**

Psalms 73:26 reminds us that even when we fail physically or mentally, God remains our strength. You don't have to be perfect to be loved by Him. And Romans 8:1 assures us that there is no condemnation in Christ—not even when you bomb a test.

You are not defined by your worst moment. You are defined by the One who never gives up on you. God still believes in your purpose—even after a bad grade.



Journaling Prompts

1. How did I feel when I found out I failed the exam?

2. Have I attached my self-worth to academic performance?

3. What does God say about my identity, regardless of my grades?



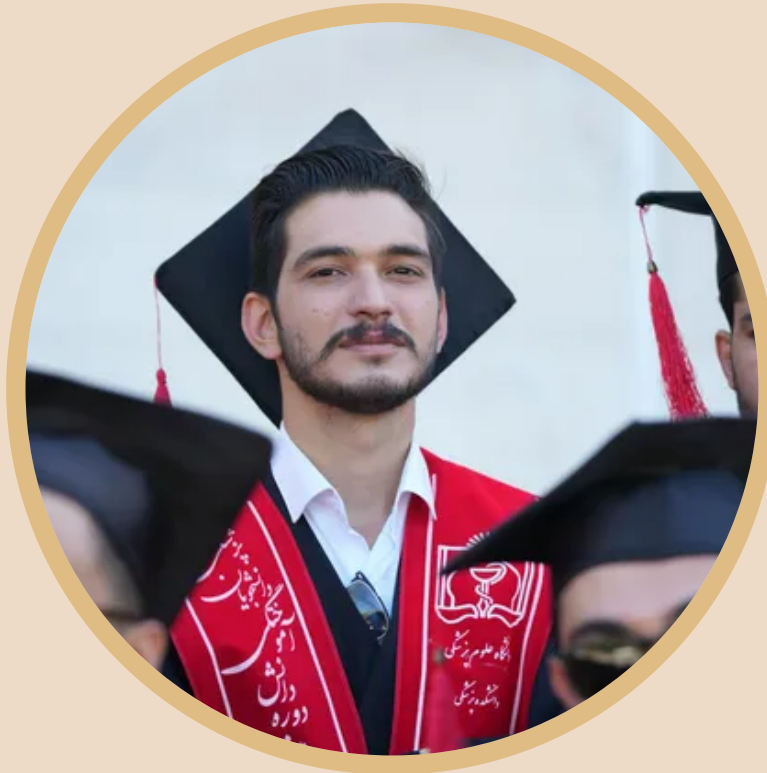
Prayer for Today

Father, I feel defeated. I wanted to succeed and now I feel like I've let myself and others down. But I choose to believe Your truth—that I am loved, accepted, and still called according to Your purpose. Help me separate my worth from my performance and draw my confidence from You. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 2: Learning from Setbacks



Your Verse

Proverbs 24:16 (NIV) “For though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again, but the wicked stumble when calamity strikes.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *James 1:2–4 (NIV) “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”*



Devotional: Fall Seven Times, Rise Eight

Failure feels like a wall—but it can also be a window. A chance to see things differently, to grow stronger, and to rise wiser.

Proverbs 24:16 tells us that even righteous people fall. But what makes them righteous is not staying down—it's getting up again. Every great man of God has failed. Moses murdered. David committed adultery. Peter denied Jesus. And yet... God still used them mightily.

James 1 tells us to view trials—even failed exams—as opportunities. God isn't just building your intellect—He's building your perseverance. He's growing your character. He's strengthening your grit.

Failure can be a turning point if you let God teach you through it.



Journaling Prompts

1. What have I learned from this academic setback?

2. How has this failure revealed areas I need to grow in—spiritually or mentally?

3. What would it look like to rise again in faith and courage?



Prayer for Today

Lord, help me to see this setback as a setup for growth. Teach me to rise again—not just to chase a better grade, but to grow into the man You've called me to be. Use this trial to develop my endurance and deepen my trust in You. I will rise again with Your help. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 3: God Still Has a Plan for You



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Your Verse

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) “For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Philippians 1:6 (NIV) “Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion...”*



Devotional: Your Future Isn't Canceled

One failed test doesn't cancel your calling. It doesn't erase your future. God's purpose for your life is bigger than your GPA, your transcripts, or your timeline.

Jeremiah 29:11 is God's promise that He still has a plan—even when you're discouraged. Even when you're doubting. Even when your plans fall apart.

Philippians 1:6 is a reminder that God finishes what He starts. He began a good work in you long before that exam—and He's not abandoning it now.

You may have to study harder. Adjust your focus. Rethink your habits. But **you do not have to give up**. God is still in this with you. Keep going. Your calling is intact.



Journaling Prompts

1. What has God already started in my life that I know He wants to complete?

2. What goals am I tempted to quit—and why?

3. What truth from God's Word will I stand on as I move forward?



Day 3: God Still Has a Plan for You

Prayer for Today

God, I thank You that Your plans for me are still alive. I may feel behind, disappointed, or discouraged, but I choose to trust You. I won't give up. I will keep pressing forward, knowing that You finish what You start. Renew my motivation. Refocus my mind. Reignite my passion. In Jesus' name, amen.





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