

# Famous Failures

## What They Learned About God - Part 2

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Paul - “\_\_\_\_\_.”

Thesis for *Failing Forward*: The major difference between average people and achieving people is their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to failure.

### Reasons Paul Could Have Seen Himself as a Failure:

1. He admitted he was a chief of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*1 Tim 1:15*
2. He had wrong \_\_\_\_\_ in the past.  
*Phil 3:8*
3. His life was filled with \_\_\_\_\_.  
*2 Cor 11:24-29*
4. He was not the \_\_\_\_\_ preacher of the people.  
*1 Cor 2:3-5*
5. His prayers were not always \_\_\_\_\_ as he desired.  
*2 Cor 12:7-10*
6. Paul was not \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Gal 4:13-15*
7. Paul was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Acts 9:23-26*

Q: “How could Paul overcome his past failure and endure the setbacks along the way on his journey?”  
(2 Cor 4:7-9)

1. He realized God’s greatness is not determined by \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the surpassing greatness of the power may be of God and not from ourselves...”*
2. Paul refused to believe that failures were \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed...”*
3. Paul could live without understanding \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“...perplexed, but not despairing...”*
4. Paul knew that God was with him during \_\_\_\_\_.  
*“...persecuted, but not forsaken...”*
5. Paul didn’t allow the problems on the \_\_\_\_\_ of him get \_\_\_\_\_ of him.  
*“Struck down but not destroyed.”*

### Summary:

1. Paul had a \_\_\_\_\_ perspective.  
*“Make room for us in your hearts; we wronged no one, we corrupted no one, we took advantage of no one.” 2 Cor 7:2*
2. Paul had a \_\_\_\_\_ perspective.  
**Paul - Damascus - Ananias - Acts 9**  
*“Go! I have piced him as my personal representative to Gentiles and kings and Jews. And now I’m about to show him what he’s in for - the hard suffering that goes with his job.”*