

# GREAT THINGS TAKE TIME

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(Luke 14:28)

When you are trying to build something great it is going to take time. History has proven this. Think about it. It took our Heavenly Father seven days to create the earth and He is all powerful. It took Jesus three years to make His ministry WorldWide and He is the Son of God. It took forty six years to build the temple where the religious pharisees worshipped according to John 2:19-20.

It took King Solomon twenty years to build his own palace and the Lord'd temple according to 1st Kings 9:10. You will never build something great in a short period of time. When you are building something great, **PATIENCE WILL BE YOUR BEST FRIEND**. In the realm of patience you are able to think clearly, make wise decisions and plan effectively.

WHEN YOU FOCUS ON DOING THINGS  
QUICKLY YOU WILL OVERLOOK WHAT IS  
NECESSARY!

# STOP RUSHING

When you have a dream or a vision you are filled with energy, passion and excitement to complete it. If you are not careful, the fire you have for your vision can work against you because it can cause you to **RUSH** the building process.

When you rush to build something that is intended to be great you will end up making many mistakes. **TIME** increases your propensity to build something great. **PATIENCE** increases your propensity to build something great. **ENDURANCE** increases your propensity to build something great. If you are attempting to build something great you must **CHANGE YOUR PERSPECTIVE** about how you think about time, patience and endurance.

THE WAY YOU SEE THINGS WILL  
DETERMINE HOW YOU APPROACH  
THINGS!

# THE POWER OF YOUR PERSPECTIVE

(Luke 14:28)

Only a foolish person begins to build something **WITHOUT** counting the cost. The cost Jesus is referring to is not only reduced to money but it includes energy, time, resources, effort, sacrifices, etc. When you are building something great your perspective must be focused on the **TOOLS** in which you are building with, not the building itself.

## Here's what I mean:

- Jesus was building His ministry so He could impact the world but He focused His perspective on **TOUCHING GROUPS OF PEOPLE** knowing that these groups of people will soon multiply to be the world.

Here is the principal behind this point. IF YOU FOCUS ON MASTERING THE SMALL THINGS THEY WILL MULTIPLY TO BECOME BIGGER THINGS! (Reference Matthew 25:23)

Many people have great ideas. However, they end up creating little impact because their perspective is small. Your dream, vision, product, business, ministry and ideas are **SLAVES TO YOUR PERSPECTIVE**. When your perspective causes you to cut corners you will overlook the details. When your perspective causes you to focus on getting the sale you will overlook the customer. When your perspective influences you to focus on gaining

quantity you will ignore producing quality. When your perspective influences you to rush the process you will overlook the things you need to learn.**THE REASON GREAT THINGS TAKE TIME IS BECAUSE YOUR PERSPECTIVE NEEDS TO MATURE!**

NOTHING WILL BECOME GREAT IN YOUR  
LIFE WHEN YOUR PERSPECTIVE IS  
SMALL.

## YOU NEED PATIENCE

Great things do not happen over night. It takes four years to receive a college degree. It takes nine months for a baby to be born. Great things take time! If you do not **REMINDE** yourself of this you will give up prematurely.

Proverbs 4:7 says, "*In all thy getting, get an understanding.*"

If you do not understand or if you are **REFUSING** to understand that great things take time you will never achieve greatness. Greatness will never allow itself to be rushed. It is like a new born baby. It needs **CONSTANT**

**NUTRITION, ATTENTION, CARE AND PROVISION** in  
order for it to evolve and mature properly.

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