WISDOM JOURNAL DAY 49 SUBJECT: THE STRUGGLE

I've spent most of my life struggling. Struggling to progress. Struggling to prosper. Struggling to support my family. Majority of my life has been a struggle. The memories of my past achievements were bitter/sweet moments.

The joy of being victorious was clouded with the pain of struggling. Very few things have come easy for me. I've had to exert a tremendous amount of effort to achieve my goals. I wasn't fortunate enough to garner support from other people.

I thought something was wrong with me because I saw other people moving further faster. I asked the Lord why did I have to struggle so much? What He told me blew my mind. He said, "*I wanted too much*." I was confused when I heard this. That was when the Holy Spirit directed me to Ecclesiastes 4:6. The scripture says, "Maybe so, but I say it is better to be content with what little you have. Otherwise, you will always be STRUGGLING FOR MORE, and that is like chasing the wind."At that moment, I learned a valuable lesson. The passion to have **MORE** will always **INVITE** a struggle.

I want to max out my potential. I want to be the best I can be. I want to fulfill my purpose. I didn't realize these aspirations had an **EXPENSIVE** price tag attach to it. The cost was to **STRUGGLE**!

My passion to get promoted on my job caused me to struggle to increase my value with the company. My passion to build my business caused me to struggle finding resources.

I know how the Apostle Paul feels when he said I am **PRESSING** toward the mark to attain the prize of the high calling. The Apostle Paul could of settled for less but he wanted **MORE**. He wanted greatness. His passion for greatness **INVITED** his struggle.

TAKEAWAY: The passion for **MORE**, invites a struggle. The refusal to settle for less will cause you to struggle for greater.

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