

Victorious Christian Living

PART 8

Regaining lost ground • Joshua 8

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When regaining lost ground....

I. First of all, **admit the loss**

- A. Don't try to **hide** it (Ps. 139:7; Job 10:14; Jer. 16:17)

- B. **Humble** yourself before God. Confide in trusted others (Ps. 51:17; Jam. 5:16)

C. Receive God's **forgiveness** and **encouragement**

(1 Jn. 1:9; Josh. 8:1)

- D. Share your **failures** with others so you both can learn and be encouraged (Rom. 15:4)

II. Try Again – Regain the lost ground

- A. Get up, deal with the issues, and **try again!** (cf. Josh. 7:10)

- B. There is **no bypassing** "Ai" (see Joshua chs. 7-8)

- C. By God's power we **can conquer** our "Ais" (Lk. 10:19; Rom. 6:12; Titus 2:11-14)

- D. Do not indulge your **despondency** (Phil. 3:12)

III. Take measures to minimize the potential that it will happen again

- A. Consistently study/read God's **Word** (Josh. 8:34ff; Ps. 119:11)

- B. **Worship** God even when the enemy is near (Matt. 4:10)

- C. Establish a **memorial** to the glory of God (Josh. 8:29)



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