

## Up From Success vs. The Path of Righteousness

I attended a seminar where the presenter stated that there was a way of thinking that goes beyond success. In the past, a person's self worth would be stated as  $Do + Have = Be$ . If you do certain activities and you have certain possessions then you will be a success. In his opinion, the more enlightened way of looking at who we are could be summarized as  $Be + Do = Have$ . And if understood and rightly applied would take us "Up From Success." The example he used was the following. If you be a half a million dollar a year producer and you do what that producer does then you will have what a half a million dollar a year producer has. Therefore, the skies the limit to what you can possess if you  $Be + Do = Have$ .

I thought about this point of view for a while but it seemed to me to be very self absorbed. I felt that anyone who bought into this "enlightened" way of thinking would never be content with their own life but rather always be trying to acquire more and more of what he or she lacked to fill the void in their life. And so I asked the Lord for wisdom on this subject. What came to me was this, the only path worth pursuing was the path of righteousness not Up from Success and that it is contained in  $Be + Do + Have = Walk$ .

### Who Do You Be?

I be a child of God through Jesus' blood

I do what Jesus modeled through His love

I have His Holy Spirit to guide me on

I walk a path of righteousness with the ones

Who show the lost the path that we are on

To live the hope of God's Glory from this day on

We are a part of God's family, lets pass it on.

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