

# 20 Causes for Personal Failure

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1. Drifting through life without a definite goal.
2. Overly curious about other people's affairs.
3. Inadequate education or inadequate information on your subject.
4. Lack of self-discipline.
5. Lack of ambition to aim high.
6. Lack of persistence in carrying through that which you have begun.
7. A negative mental attitude in general.
8. Lack of emotional control.
9. The desire to get something for nothing.
10. Failure to reach decisions promptly and definitely when all of the facts necessary for a decision are at hand.
11. Fear of failure.
12. Indiscriminate spending of time and/or money.
13. Lack of control over the tongue.
14. Having a closed mind; that is, unwilling to take advice from others.
15. Lack of loyalty where loyalty is due.
16. Lack of vision and imagination.
17. Egotism and vanity without control.
18. Having wrong motives.
19. A desire for revenge for real or imaginary grievances.
20. Unwilling to go the "extra mile".

"The person who succeeds is the one who does more than enough and keeps on doing it."

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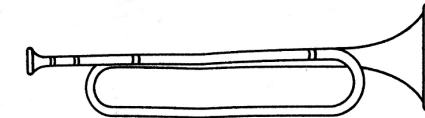


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*Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet  
and show my people their transgression...*  
Isa. 58:1



*For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound,  
who shall prepare himself to the battle?*  
1 Cor. 14:8

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### The Pastor's Paragraph

*Dear Friends,*

*With this March issue of the Trumpet, we reach the third month of this new year. March is certainly marching along. I hope you are marching along in your spiritual life. Our relationship with God is all that will matter one day. Live for God. Serve the Lord. Build your values on the Bible. I hope you enjoy this issue of the Trumpet.*

*Pastor Cole*

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### John Wesley's Daily Devotional Questions

John Wesley had a group of devoted followers. They were called Wesley's Holy Club. He instructed them to ask the following questions during their person devotions each day.

1. Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am better than I really am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
2. Am I honest in all my acts and words, or do I exaggerate?
3. Do I confidentially pass on to another what was told to me in confidence.
4. Can I be trusted?
5. Am I a slave to dress, friends, work or habits?
6. Am I self-conscious, self-pitying or self-justifying?
7. Did the Bible live in me today?
8. Do I give the Bible time to speak to me every day?
9. Am I enjoying prayer?
10. When did I last speak to someone about my faith?
11. Do I pray about the money I spend?
12. Do I get in bed on time and get up on time?
13. Do I disobey God in anything?
14. Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
15. Am I defeated in any part of my life?
16. Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
17. How do I spend my spare time?
18. Do I thank God that I am not as other people, just as the Pharisee who despised the publican?
19. Is there anyone whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold a resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I doing about it?
20. Do I grumble or complain constantly?
21. Is Christ real to me?