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## *Revealing Failure as the Path to Success*

Success Through Failure Podcast

Action Plan Episode #371

### **A Success Perspective: How to Handle Life When You Don't Get What You Want**

My mission for this podcast is to reveal the true nature of success— that failure is a necessary step on the path to success for you. We don't seek it out. We don't want it. But it is part of success.

And that's life! We don't always get what we ask for but often it's what we actually need.

It's not exactly an easy idea to reconcile to, I know, BUT once you learn how to shift your mindset, the adversities, challenges, and setbacks that you'll face in life will turn into one opportunity after another!

Join me in this episode as I translate a viral poem into a usable and functional action item that will crystalize the power of failure to open new opportunities for growth and success despite— and sometimes even because of— failure. Tune in now!

#### **Top Quotes From This Episode**

*"The difficulties in your life right now are making you stronger, not weaker. They're not setting you back. They're actually making you stronger— preparing you for the next step in your life."*

*"[Do] you want to know what love feels like? Help someone in need."*

#### **Show Notes**

**This episode touches on the following key topics and ideas:**

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- **Solo episodes (1:25):** You can listen to all the solo episodes here: [JimHarshawJr.com/SOLO](#)
- **The impetus (1:44):** [Read the inspiring poem](#) by Indian professor, poet, and philosopher, Hazrat Inayat Khan.

**I asked for strength  
and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.**

**(4:03)** Are you willing to believe that the difficulties you're facing are making you strong? How are these an opportunity for you?

**I asked for wisdom  
and God gave me problems to learn to solve.**

**(6:31)** Don't skip over your problems. Face them. Otherwise, you might miss your greatest opportunity.

**I asked for prosperity  
and God gave me a brain and brawn to work.**

**(9:00)** How are you working hard at things that are going to bring you value? That are going to bring you prosperity?

**I asked for courage  
and God gave me dangers to overcome.**

**(12:14)** Your fears are gifts that will help you develop courage.

**I asked for love  
and God gave me people to help.**

**(13:15)** The feeling that you have when you help people, when you find people to help— that's what love feels like. Who are the people in your life right now who need your help?

**I asked for favors  
and God gave me opportunities.**

**(14:09)** As they say, "When one door closes, another opens." Search for the opportunity within the obstacle.

## **List of Resources Mentioned in the Episode**

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