



# Hang In There

Have you ever found a “secret to success” that worked for you?

I have never met a millionaire who wanted to give away his “secrets” free. Truth be known: I’ve never met a millionaire.

“Secrets to Success” are available in every language and for every occupation known to humankind. Personally, I like the advice British writer and philosopher G.K. Chesterton gave to the young people of his day: *“Lift where you stand.”*

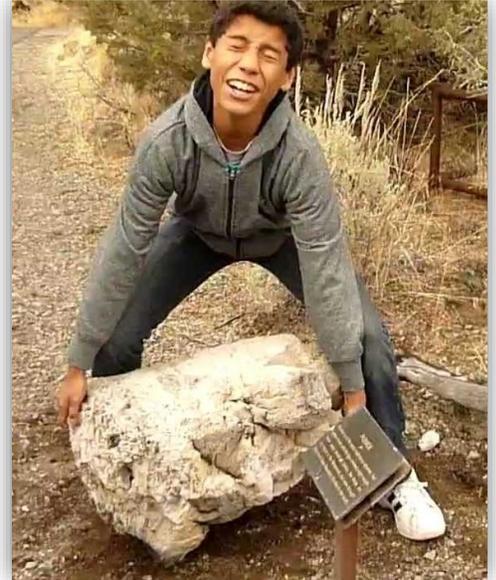
Chesterton was speaking about being persistent in what you do. One dictionary has defined persistence as the “continuance of an effect after the cause is removed.” Scripture is clear about persistence.

*“Each day is God’s gift. It’s all you get in exchange for the hard work of staying alive. Make the most of each one! Whatever turns up, grab it and do it. And heartily!”* Ecclesiastes 9:7-9, The Message

“Hanging in there” may be the most difficult but most rewarding option for you.

*Lift where you stand. Lift what? Lift whom? Lift for how long?*

- Lift the people near you, beginning with the one closest to you.
- Lift your sights to see what God wants you to do today... tomorrow...this week.
- Lift your commitment to become the person God wants you to be.
- Lift your praises to God. Thank him for placing you exactly where you are.
- Keep on lifting until God says, “I’ve got a new place for you to lift. It’s just right for you.”



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*Heavenly Father, I get the point. Thank you for sending it through your Word and through others I trust. My response is a sincere “I will.” In your time, show me I am making the right decision. Through Christ I pray. Amen.*