

# Difficulties in My Past Prepared Me for Kingdom Assignments Today

A lot of how I operate with wisdom in the natural today has come from my experiences of the past. Not only my education, but the things I did in my life have given me many skills and abilities. Cross-country running, upholstery, ploughing, shearing, mustering, computer programming, training stock horses and sheep dogs, and many more, now allow me to operate better than I would if I hadn't had those experiences.

The Spirit dropped into my spirit this morning another of these which was quite a revelation. There were 2 major negative experiences which are now used positively in the my Kingdom assignments. These were:

- My high school teachers didn't prepare me for education at university, &
- My parents didn't prepare me for life in the real world outside of home and the church.

Both these produced shocks in my life which were not nice at the time (e.g. failing two subjects in first year uni) but they have put a drive in me to prepare people for the future. I wasn't prepared back then, so I really know the necessity of being fully prepared for the future.

Preparation was the driving force behind the work I did with my 4 children as I raised them to be confident, educated, experienced, fully functional members of society.

This drive now manifests in the following ways since my children have married and left home:

- I prepare college students for life, to handle university education and to be self-educators
- I prepare my visa-holding ESL students for life in the Aussie workforce and our society

The Spirit revealed to me this morning that these two past difficulties have prepared me for my Kingdom mandate these days – to raise a Gideon army, feed them and train them.

With this revelation, I can now embrace these difficulties without feeling negative. I now see them in a new light because I'm better skilled to do what I need to do for the Kingdom today than I would have been without them.

I've forgiven and exonerated those who caused the difficulties, so I can now move on in confidence and more peace with my past.

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