
10 Keys to Thriving When Faced with Ministry Setbacks – **ACTION GUIDE**

This guide is designed for individuals or groups to help deepen your learning and take action. For an in-depth journey on how to deal with ministry setbacks and road blocks, purchase a copy of Cam's book entitled *Detour: A Roadmap For When Life Gets Rerouted*. It can be found at various online locations: [Amazon.ca](https://www.amazon.ca), [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), [Chapters.ca](https://www.Chapters.ca), and camtaylor.net/shop. Feel free to add questions of your own and expand upon this action guide. I welcome your suggestions, feedback, and improvements any time at cam@camtaylor.net.

Lesson 9: Always Be Storm Ready

Read and listen

Listen to part 8 in the series and watch the video on "preparation." Read Matthew 7:24-27; Proverbs 6:6-8. Read chapter 21-22 in *Detour*.

Engage

Describe a time in your life when the lack of preparation caused more pain or trouble than it needed to. Describe when preparation paid off.

Reflect

In the podcast, the story is told of the outcome of both Amundsen and Scott of their south pole adventure. What was the difference between the two men and their teams that had such a profound impact?

Read Proverbs 6:6-8 and talk about what you can learn from the ants regarding preparation. In what way are you like an ant? What can you learn from the ant?

Read Matthew 7:24-27. What is the point Jesus is making as he compares the two men? When are you more the wise man? When are you more like the foolish man?

Discuss

There are three behaviors of storm ready people: they learn from and hang out with wise people; they adopt an attitude of tempered optimism; and they practice hardship before you have to.

Of those three behaviors, which one speaks to you most directly? What can you do to adjust your behavior so as to be even better prepared?

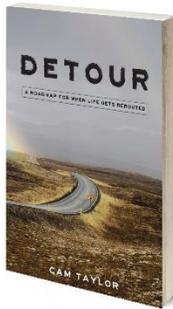
On a scale of 1-10 (1 being totally unprepared and 10 being well prepared), what number would you give yourself on storm preparedness (readiness for adversity or a traumatic event)?

Why does it matter to be storm ready?

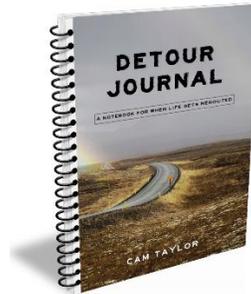
Act

Find one habit you can focus on that will cause you to practice hardship before you have to. What is it? Who will help you practice it?

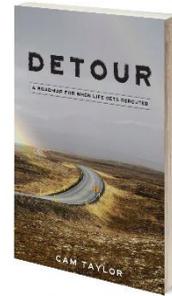
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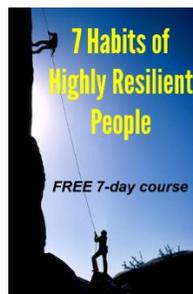
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