

# Lenten Reflection

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As we come to the end of this 2017 Lenten season, you may look back in personal disappointment on how you really spent it. You had all good intentions of spending more time in prayer, but alas, on many occasions you found that you ended up doing something else. Maybe you thought that one of the ways you could fast was not eating between meals, but you failed at this many times. Perhaps you thought that you could save some money to give to those in need at the closing of Lent, but realize now that there is little or no money left to give. Take heart! God knows that you have good intentions and understands our human weaknesses and shortcomings. Perhaps a true story about not giving up on something you believe in will ease any regrets you may have.

*“A man named Wayne Dyer wrote a book that he believed would touch the lives of thousands of readers. He sent his finished manuscript to many publishers – and got back nothing but rejection letters. Not one saw any market for Dyer’s work.*

*Discouraged but undaunted, he dipped into his own pocket and published the book himself. Then he hit the road to peddle it. He arranged appearances on local talk shows around the country, then stuffed his car full of books. In each city, he informed local booksellers that he was going to be interviewed on radio or TV, offering to provide books to meet the demand.*

*Dyer kept at it for two years, selling a handful of books in city after city. Still, no publisher would take a chance on this unknown author.*

*One night, he taped a 3 a.m. TV show in San Francisco. He figured that no more than a couple dozen insomniacs would be watching. But one of those insomniacs was Johnny Carson, host of The Tonight Show. Carson liked what he saw. Dyer got booked on his show. Sales of the book, *Your Erroneous Zones*, skyrocketed, and Dyer became a best-selling author, and eventually, host of his own TV series.*

*The lesson here? Don’t give up on something you believe in – even if the initial reaction is less than what you hope for. Keep giving it your best. You never know who might be listening or watching or reading.”\**

And you know that God is!

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