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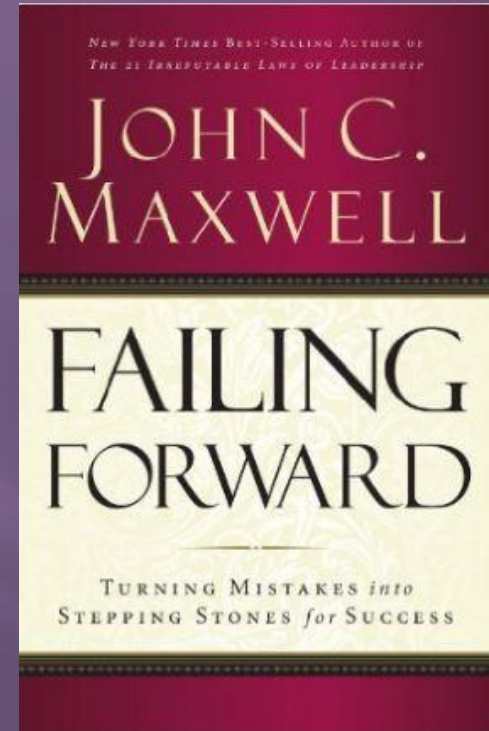
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Are some people born to achieve anything they want while others struggle? Call them lucky, blessed, or possessors of the Midas touch. What is the real reason for their success? Is it family background, wealth, greater opportunities, high morals, an easy childhood?

*New York Times* best-selling author John C. Maxwell has the answer: The difference between average people and achieving people is their perception of and response to failure.



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What is failure?

Lack of success

The omission of expected or required action

“Not getting it done.”

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