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## Washington: Part 5: Get Back Up Again

Creek Kids Leaders,

One of the themes woven all throughout Chernow's book is George Washington's resilience. He faced setbacks, criticism, and seasons when everything seemed to be falling apart. Yet every time, he learned, adjusted, and got back up again.

A clear example came after the devastating losses at Fort Washington and Fort Lee. Washington watched thousands of his troops captured, supplies lost, and morale shattered. Many leaders would have given up. Instead, he re-gathered the army,





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crossed the Delaware in the dead of night, and achieved the unexpected victory at Trenton. His resilience turned a collapsing army into a hopeful and victorious one.

### **In Ministry:**

We will face discouragement in ministry. Volunteers get shifted. Kids have hard weeks. But when we keep showing up and keep trusting God, we model a resilience that kids and parents benefit from. Our perseverance teaches more than we realize.

### **In Our Personal Lives:**

Each of us walks through seasons of fatigue, frustration, or setback. Washington's example reminds us that failure is not final.





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Scripture tells us that the righteous rise again, not because of inner strength alone, but because God lifts and restores us.

*“Though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again.”* – Proverbs 24:16

Thank you for persevering, for showing up, and for letting God use your faith to strengthen the kids and families you serve.

Blessings,

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