Overcoming Obstacles

Everything is Figureoutable

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Isaiah 57:14-21 (NIV)
14 And it will be said: "Build up, build up, prepare the road! Remove the obstacles out of the way of my people." 15 For this is what the high and lofty One says-- he who lives forever, whose name is holy: "I live in a high and holy place, but also with him who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite. 16 I will not accuse forever, nor will I always be angry, for then the spirit of man would grow faint before me-- the breath of man that I have created. 17 I was enraged by his sinful greed; I punished him, and hid my face in anger, yet he kept on in his willful ways. 18 I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will guide him and restore comfort to him, 19 creating praise on the lips of the mourners in Israel. Peace, peace, to those far and near," says the LORD. "And I will heal them." 20 But the wicked are like the tossing sea, which cannot rest, whose waves cast up mire and mud. 21 "There is no peace," says my God, "for the wicked."

"If you find a path with no obstacles it probably doesn't lead anywhere." --Frank A. Clark

"The impediment to action advances action. What stands in the way becomes the way." --Marcus Aurelius (170 AD)

Within the obstacles lies a treasure!

1. O_____
Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV)
18 "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. 19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

2. O_____
James 4:7-8 (NCV)
7 So give yourselves completely to God. Stand against the devil, and the devil will run from you. 8 Come near to God, and God will Come near to you.

Isaiah 57:15 (NIV)
15 For this is what the high and lofty One says-- he who lives forever, whose name is holy: "I live in a high and holy place, but also with him who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite.

3. O_____
Ezra 10:4 (ESV)
4 Arise, for it is your task, and we are with you; be strong and do it."

Answers:

1. OUTLOOK

2. OUTPUT

3. OWNERSHIP