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Homework 2 The Last Lecture

Randy Pausch mentions this idea of a brick “wall” multiple times throughout his lecture, and it’s this idea that if you want something bad enough, if you’re willing to persevere, that goal is only so far away from being realized. This theory on personal success is deeply alluring, personally, and seems in my experience to reign true in almost every scenario.

I think the way Pausch puts into context his situation before starting the lecture really validates him and his experiences for me. The way he talks about his goals and what he did to achieve them really inspires me to keep reaching.

There have been moments in my life where I think this brick wall has seemed too much trouble to be worth spending the time and energy on to break through. There are points even now where my mind wanders to places I never really thought I’d be interested in going, places that seem unextraordinary, mundane. I always wanted to be a big director, to make a movie worth watching, but with the encroachment of adulthood this dreams sometimes fall by the wayside. Sometimes I think, “Well, maybe just being a wedding photographer would be enough”. Maybe it would be enough.

The point is, to never stop dreaming. That is what I found with this lecture.