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Randy Paush Ted Talk

Chase your dreams; you don't have time; nothing is holding you back. After listening to this lecture in its entirety, I was left with these thoughts. As someone who has had a couple of near-death experiences, I really resonated with his wisdom. The world is constantly doing its best to drag each and every one of us down. I know that like-minded people like Randy Paush keep this world rotating. Without ideas of innovation, we would never change. There are endless possibilities with so much waiting on the other side. Why are we taught to believe that we are so small? Our efforts don't have much effect on anything. Randy received some terrible news that he was dying. So what did he do? Well, there's nothing like breaking bad.

Randy was widely respected in academic circles for a unique interdisciplinary approach, bringing together artists, dramatists, and designers to break new ground by collaborating with computer scientists. As a professor, he inspired countless students in the classroom. Randy doesn't dwell for too long; he has his mind made up of more than just a few things. He does his part every day to create a better future. With so many hurdles in life, we must imbue some of Mr. Paush's vices and ethics. We would be much better off if more people were half as kind as him.

I took a lot of things to heart and did my best to use this inspiration to motivate myself and my efforts.